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and winner of the open
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Muraaqib's victory at Goodwood

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2018 Calendar

Axelle Nègre de Watrigant, the first woman to head the AFAC

On 13 July, the board of directors of the AFAC came together to vote for their new President. For the first time a woman was voted President: Axelle Nègre de Watrigant succeeds Yves Plantin, who takes over the role as Vice-President, as the President of the association. Jean-Marc de Watrigant and Jean-Paul Larrieu continue in their role as Treasurer and Secretary.
See interview with Axelle Nègre de Watrigant on page 16.

Annual progress report of racing in France

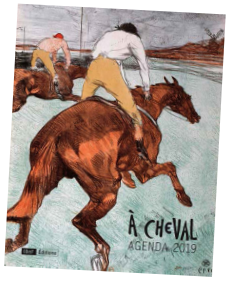
The AFASEC recently published a booklet with the title "Social Observatory of training and racing horses in France", based on 2017 statistics. This document is a synthesis of racing and trotting, with interesting information on the different jobs that come within the industry, like trainers and those employed by racing: including information on age, evolution and women in racing.
Download the booklet

Endurance : selected teams for Tryon

On 14 August, the French Equestrian Federation revealed the teams that will represent France at the World Equestrian Games at Tryon in the United States from 11 to 23 September. Benedicte Emond Bon, the national selector, picked five teams, including a reserve team:

- **Nicolas Ballarin and Tam Tam Tokay**, an 11-year-old DSA gelding by Baltzik (AR) out of Adele (pony), owned by Sarl Atlantic Endurance
- **Jean-Philippe Frances and Tarzibus**, an 11-year-old Arabian stallion by Zadie d'Espiens out of Ouida la Majorie (Chems El Derkouch), owned by Sabrina Arnold and Jean-Philippe Frances
- **Julien Lafaure and Sherazade Cabirat**, a 12 year-old Arabian mare by Milora Park Blue Fire out of Nepalh Cabirat (Kalhan), owned by Jean-Noël Lafaure
- **Allan Leon and Spirit de Crouz**, a 12 year-old Shagya gelding by Shogun out of Kalyso de Crouz (Koheilan III 66), owned by Catherine and Antoine Roland
- **Roman Lafaure and Valdez Cabirat**, a 9-year-old Arabian gelding by Rhalan Cabirat out of Iguana (Sgolden Scimitar), owned by Jean-Noële Lafaure (reserve team).

A cheval : the 2019 agenda published by BnF



The French National Library has published the 2019 agenda which focuses on horses. It is illustrated with photos, posters, drawings, coins, medals… all dedicated to the horse. This selection of pictures, representing the quality and variety of documents preserved by the BnF, spans not only the different ages but reaches across the globe. It is a great gift for Christmas.
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5 May 2018 – Bordeaux le Bouscat
Prix Damas (Gr.3PA)

1600 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Muraaqib** (Munjiz ex Tashreefat by Bengali d'Albret), h 6-y-o, breeder : Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras
2. **Rawdah** (Dahess ex Orphe du Clos by Kerbella), c 4-y-os, breeder and owner: Ecuries Royales d'Oman, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Olivier Peslier, head

3. **Dynamites** (Nashwan Al Khalidiah ex Oleya du Loup by Kerbella), c 4-y-o, breeder : Karin Van Den Bos, owner: Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 1/2L
4. **Joudh** (Mahabb ex Shamayl by Kesberoy), f 4-y-o, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 7L
5. **Al Mouwaffak** (Azadi ex Morgane de Piboul by Djourman), h 7 ans, breeder : Hassan Mousli, Nada Mousalli, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 1,5L

8 May 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Djelfor

1600 m – Total prize-money: 18 000 €
For 3-y-o

1. **Marid** (TM Fred Texas ex Al Dahma by Amer), c, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey : Olivier Peslier

2. **Fettah du Loup** (Kerbella ex Paida du Loup by Dormane), c, breeder : M. Dupont, prop. et trainer: Anthony Lopez, jockey : Ricardo Sousa Ferreira, short head
3. **Citronnier de Ghazal** (Madjani ex Citronnelle de Ghazal by Kesberoy), c, breeder and owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 4,5L
4. **Poupee du Loup** (Divamer ex Sirene du Loup by Al Sakbe), f, breeder : Jean-Marc Saphores, owner: Libero Mazzone, trainer: Olivier Trigodet, jockey : Jean-Bernard Eyquem, 1,5L
5. **Daloob** (TM Fred Texas ex Haija by Amer), g, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 1,5L

13 May 2018 – Royan La Palmyre
Prix Alban Jamme – Wathba Stallions Cup

1600 m – Total prize-money: 10 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Hind** (Mahabb ex Gliptika by Parusnik), f 4-y-o, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Flavien Garnier
2. **Soureyade** (Dahess ex Souganate by Manganate), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Loetitia Dulas, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : David Michaux, 1L

3. **Mujahid** (Mahabb ex Limited Edition by Ezil), h 5 ans, breeder and owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Sébastien Maillot, 1/2L
4. **Eclair du Paladin** (Nizam ex Noa des Tunes by Dormane), g 4-y-o, breeder : P. Duscio, owner: J.L. Pelletan & P. Duscio, trainer: J.L. Pelletan, jockey : Dylan Alberca-Gavilan, 7/4L
5. **Malmas GB** (No Risk Al Maury ex Qusoor by Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder : Shadwell Estate Co Ltd, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Thomas Messina, short head

27 May 2018 – Dax
Prix Djerba Oua

1400 m – Total prize-money: 14 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Al Shamoos** (No Risk Al Maury ex Hamiya by Al Hasim), f 4-y-o, breeder : Mohammad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Delphine Santiago
2. **Al Naama** (Majd Al Arab ex Entisar by Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 15L
3. **Burj Al Arab** (Burning Sand ex Min Isheq by Chaikh Man), h 7-y-o, breeder : AM Hamilton Al Aidarous, owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : William Smit, 2,5L
4. **Soureyade** (Dahess ex Souganate by Manganate), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Loetitia Dulas, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, neck
5. **Mujahid** (Mahabb ex Limited Edition by Ezil), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Mme J.F. Bernard, jockey : Jean-Bernard Eyquem, 2,5L

Prix Aicha

2300 m – Total prize-money: 12 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Almoshahar USA** (Amer ex Dixies Delight by Sam Tiki), c 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé
2. **Zawani Star** (Dahess ex Dora Star by Tornado de Syrah), c 4 ans, breeder and owner: Mehdi Benmessaoud, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, 3L
3. **Al Safenne** (Saklawi Jadrane ex Al Sarwa by Akbar), c 4-y-o, breeder : Hassan Mousli, F. Al Elweet, Nada Mousalli, owner: Faiz Al Elweet, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérome Cabre, short neck
4. **Shadda'ad** (Munjiz ex Fazah by Mahabb), c 4-y-o, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Jimmy Martin, 1L
5. **Ijram** (Amer ex Massamarie by Tidjani), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Damien Morin, 3/4L

28 Mai 2018 – Toulouse
Qatar Prix de l'Elevage (Gr.2PA)

2000 m – Total prize-money: 25 000 €

For 4-y-o fillies

1. **Karabosse de Ghazal** (Munjiz ex Katerina de Ghazal by Dormane), breeder : Rose Cambon, owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan
2. **Wadeeaa** (Mahabb ex Gaira by Akbar), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 3/4L
3. **Joudh** (Mahabb ex Shamayl by Kesberoy), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 1,5L
4. **Ajaayib** (Mahabb ex Tashreefat by Bengali d'Albret), breeder : Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 5,5L
5. **Al Ghashamiya** (General ex Nefertarie by Mahabb), breeder : Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 4,5L

European Championship of Young Endurance riders

The 120km Championship took place on 26 July at Pisa with a vetgate at San Rossore. The individual Championship was won by Spanish rider Raquel Costa Codina and Tunez Cost. Team gold went to Spain who had three riders in first, fourth and seventh place. Italy was the runner-up thanks to a team that saw four couples come tenth, eleventh, fifteenth, and seventeenth. The third place remained open as none of the other nations had enough riders placed.

Individual ranking

Rank, rider/horse, average speed, total race time

1. Raquel Costa Codina ESP/Tunez Cost, 22,7, 05 :17 :27
2. Michaela Supekova SVK/Girola de Quercus, 22,7, 05 :17 :30
3. Lilou Tomas Arnaud FRA/Scherazade Larzac (Zoug Del Aram ex Galicia by Arques Perspex), m AR 12-y-o, 22,7, 05 :17 :33
4. Bruna Pujols Aumatell ESP/Ulkiem Kelenn (Falabab ex Arizona Montviette by Arzew), g AR 10-y-o, 22,1, 05 :26 :10
5. Carla Magan FRA/Seminole Wind (GR Sharaf ex Jewel de Rambeau by Saroual), m AR 12-y-o, 20,5, 05 :52 :07
6. Jeanne Holum NOR/Yassir II (Nemes ex Yamaq by Oquendo), g AR 14-y-o, 20,5, 05 :52 :07
7. Martina Codina Sala Planell ESP/CS Rogelia, 20,00, 06 :00 :00
8. Juliette Vanhee BEL/Uma du Moulin Blanc (Khadar ex Paprika du Barthas by Djin Lotois), m AR 10-y-o, 19,9, 06 :02 :30
9. Pedro SA E. Almeida POR/Alto de Traclin (Carol ex Najuba by Jeremias)h shagya 8-y-o, 19,8, 06 :03 :01
10. Niccolo' Trotta ITA/Quassia Distinta (Distintu ex Flor de May), m AA 9-y-o, 18,8, 06 :22 :09
11. Carola Dino ITA/Colorado, 18,8, 06 :22 :10
12. Leticia Szösz HUN/Koheilan Szilaj, 18,8, 06 :22 :12
13. Anne-Marijn Kok NED/El W Dora, 18,8, 06 :22 :17
14. Kaspara Grude NOR/SR Noah, 18,7, 06 :24 :19
15. Camilla Coppini ITA/Alkimia, 18,4, 06 :30 :37
16. João Afonso Comenda POR/Forcado Hospitais, 18,3, 06 :32 :33
17. Valentina Galli ITA/Agadir by Galuska, 17,8, 06 :44 :52
18. Polina Cherkasova RUS/Nordai, 16,5, 07 :17 :20
19. Linda Johansson SWE/Ruby Sundae, 16,0, 07 :30 :01
20. Imke Lamsma NED/Kabila AA, 16,0, 07 :30 :01
21. Kathrin Marthaler SUI/Okkarina d'Alsace, 15,6, 07 :40 :17
22. Midaela Linner SWE/Peach Passion, 14,2, 08 :27 :39

Second International Veterinary Endurance Conference

The second edition of the IVEC (International Veterinary Endurance Conference) takes place on 9 September at Tryon in North Carolina, United States, three days before the World Equestrian games.

Veterinaries, but also the sport's professionals are invited to join the conference which will treat subjects as varied as myopathies, preliminary exams before buying a horse, strategies of races based on statistics, genetics and performances…..

The conference takes place every two years at the same time of the World Equestrian Games which bring together the world community of Endurance racing.

The first edition took place at Samorin in 2016 and attracted more than hundred professionals, including veterinaries, scientists, trainers, riders and breeders.

Stephanie Valberg from the United Stakes, one of the most renowned veterinaries in the field of muscular pathology, is one of the speakers at this year's edition of the conference.

Date: 9 September 2018

Where : Cascade Mountain Resort, 30 minutes by car from the World Equestrian Games installations. Rooms at the conference centre are available at $200/night. https://cascadesmountainresort.com/

Fee for joining the conference: $175 including lunch, tickets on sale at http://ivec.info/

Program: http://ivec.info/#schedule

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1st June 2018 – Toulouse
Prix de l'Hippodrome de Toulouse
2000 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 4-y-o
1. **Akoya** (Muqatil Al Khalidiah ex A l'Ombre Del Sol by Tornado de Syrah), c, breeder : Karin Van Den Bos, owner: Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel
2. **No an No Al Maury** (Nizam ex No Doubt Al Maury by Dormane), c, breeder : Renée-Laure Koch, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, head
3. **Amjiz de Piboul** (Munjiz ex Amerella by Amer), c, breeder: Gilles Flottes, Marcel Mézy, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 2,5L
4. **Al Amiral** (General ex Al Zahrah by Kesberoy), c, breeder : Hassan Mousli, Nada Mousalli, Faiz Al Elweet, owner: Faiz Al Elweet, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérôme Cabre, 5/4 L
5. **Eve** (Kerbella ex Ushamman de Carrere by Sire d'Albret), f, breeder : P. Sablon, owner: Cécile Sablon, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : William Smit, 5,5L

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Prix Norniz
1600 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 3-y-o colts
1. **Deryan** (Mahabb ex Haboob by Akbar), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan
2. **Garraffah** (Tabarak ex Seffa du Breuil by Tidjani), breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 7/4L
3. **Champasak** (Sarrab ex Sylia du Cayrou by Kesberoy), breeder and owner: Guy Cherel, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Mickael Forest, 3,5L
4. **Badi Al Cham** (Azadi ex Al Mazina by Dormane), breeder : H. Mousli, N. Mousalli, F. Al Elweet, owner: Faiz Al Elweet, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, neck
5. **Spatial** (Njewman ex Speed by Dormane) breeder and owner: Yves Plantin, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Anthony Crastus, 2,5L

Prix Fedora – Wathba Stallions Cup
1600 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 3-y-o fillies
1. **Baseel** (Munjiz ex Assrar by Dormane), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Valentin Seguy
2. **Gtnah** (TM Fred Texas ex Mayada by Amer), breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 2,5L
3. **Poupee du Loup** (Divamer ex Sirene du Loup by Al Sakbe), breeder : Jean-Marc Saphores, owner: Libero Mazzone, trainer: Olivier Trigodet, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 2,5L
4. **Al Azeeza** (Munjiz ex Oassila Thabet by Akbar), breeder : Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 2,5L
5. **Bellisima de Ghazal** (Munjiz ex Brin d'Amour de Gazal by Zippy Al Maury), breeder and owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 5/4L

6 June 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix BA Toustem – Wathba Stallions Cup
1900 m – Total prize-money: 15 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards
1. **Goumoh** (Jaafer ASF ex Djeldora by Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: Al Shahania Stud, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras
2. **Amjiz de Piboul** (Munjiz ex Amerella by Amer), c 4-y-o, breeder : Gilles Flottes, Marcel Mézy, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 1,5L
3. **Meelad** (Azadi ex Al Dahma by Amer), c 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 3/4L
4. **Zawani Star** (Dahess ex Dora Star by Tornado de Syrah), c 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Mehdi Benmessaoud, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, short neck
5. **Kashmiir** (Akim de Ducor ex Fifth by Tidjani), g 5-y-o, breeder : Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Al Shaqab Racing : trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Anthony Crastus, 2,5L

8 June 2018 – Toulouse
Prix Quitaine
2000 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 3-y-o
1. **Citronnier de Ghazal** (Madjani ex Citronnelle de Ghazal by Kesberoy), c, breeder and owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan
2. **Kanaan** (Sarrab ex Shamayl by Kesberoy), c, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, nose
3. **Onward** (Munjiz ex Samrah by Akbar), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, 3,5L
4. **Harrab UAE** (Bibi de Carrere ex Waahiba by Akbar), c, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey : I. Mendizabal, head
5. **Oxygen** (Munjiz ex Thumb Print by Barour de Cardonne), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: Jean-Pierre Daireaux, jockey : Hugo Journiac, head

Prix Aissa – Véronique Briat
2100 m – Total prize-money: 14 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards - Fillies and mares only
1. **Belqees** (Mahabb ex Aleefa by Kesberoy), 4-y-o, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier-Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal

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THE ROYAL CAVALRY OF OMAN

A GLORIOUS DAY

At Newbury on the 29th July 2018, The Royal Cavalry of Oman celebrated ***two Group 1 winners, a Group 3 winner*** *and* ***a Group 3 placed.***

NAFEES WINS THE GROUP 1 DUBAI INTERNATIONAL STAKES

AL CHAMMY wins the **Group 1**
Zabeel International Stakes

TAHIRWAH wins the **Group 3**
DIAR International Stakes,
with **HADIYAH** finishing in third.

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The Royal Cavalry of Oman would like to thank all of the connections who made this unforgettable day possible.

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2. **Rkaya** (Burning Sand ex Queen Kong by Kong), 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérôme Cabre, 2,5L
3. **Hothour** (Azadi ex Amira Al Chame by Kesberoy), 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 2,5L
4. **Engun de Bozouls** (Muguet de Pascade ex Bab Al Shams by Barour de Cardonne), 4-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagry, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 3,5L
5. **Um Graibah QA** (Amer ex Koriana by Dormane), 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Damien Morin, 1L

17 June 2018 – Montauban
Prix Fernand Flottes

2250 m – Total prize-money: 9 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Nizwa Girl** (Munjiz ex Kahina de Monlau by Tidjani), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Ecuries Royales d'Oman, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Clément Cadel

2. **Khalifa du Loup** (Calin du Loup ex Min Ishew by Chaikh Man), g 6-y-o, breeder : AM Hamilton Al Aidarous, owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Dylan Alberca-Gavilan, nose
3. **Malmas GB** (No Risk Al Maury ex Qusoor by Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder : Shadwell Estate Co Ltd, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Adeline Merou, 4,5L
4. **Ergone de Cardonne** (Tornado de Syrah ex Stela de Cardonne), f 4-y-o, breeder : P. Sablon et F. Mazet, owner: Ecurie de Syrah, trainer: Olivier Trigodet, jockey : William Smit, 1/2L
5. **Eve** (Kerbella ex Ushamman de Carrere by Sire d'Albret), f, breeder : P. Sablon, owner: Cécile Sablon, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Antoine Werle, 3L

22 June 2016 – Chantilly
Qatar Coupe de France des Chevaux Arabes (Gr.2PA)

1600 – Total prize-money: 50 000 €

For 3-y-o

1. **Deryan** (Mahabb ex Haboob by Akbar), c, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan
2. **Fettah du Loup** (Kerbella ex Paida du Loup by Dormane), c, breeder : M. Dupont, owner: Khalid Khasruzzaman, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Maxime Guyon, 3/4L

3. **Marid** (TM Fred Texas ex Al Dahma by Amer), c, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey : Theo Bachelot, 1,5L

4. **Daloob** (TM Fred Texas ex Haija by Amer), g, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: T. Fourcy, jockey : Faleh Nasser Bughenaim, 7L
5. **Husam** (Burning Sand ex Al Anood by Amer), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Pierre-Charles Boudot, 7L

5 July 2018 – Dax
Prix de l'AFAC

1400 m – Total prize-money: 12 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Al Naama** (Majd Al Arab ex Entisar by Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé

2. **Al Shamoos** (No Risk Al Maury ex Hamiya by Al Hasim), f 4 ans, breeder : Mohammad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Delphine Santiago, head
3. **Burj Al Arab** (Burning Sand ex Min Isheq by Chaikh Man), g 7-y-o, breeder : AM Hamilton Al Aidarous, owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : William Smit, 6,5L
4. **Rawdah** (Dahess ex Orphe du Clos by Kerbella), c 4 ans, breeder and owner: Ecuries Royales d'Oman, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Camille Flechon, 1/4L
5. **Dalmas Lotois** (Almas ex Kerlia Lotoise by Kerbella), c 4-y-o, breeder : Guy Barry, owner and trainer: Anthony Lopez, jockey : Ricardo Sousa Ferreira, 5/4L

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8 July 2018 – Pompadour
Prix de Bournazel – Wathba Stallions Cup

1200 m – Total prize-money: 10 000 €

For 3-y-o

1. **Yaraa** (Sarrab ex Fazzaha by Dahman El Arami), f, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: SR Simon, jockey : Antoine Werle
2. **Flore des Vialettes** (Hilal Al Zahman ex Usa des Vialettes by Akbar), f, breeder : Jean-Pierre Raynal, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Clément Cadel, 8,5L
3. **Primera Al Maury** (Hilal Al Zahman ex Princess Mali by Prince d'Orient), f, breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 1/2L
4. **Mysshwan de Piboul** (Nashwan Al Khalidiah ex Myss de Piboul by Al Sakbe), f, breeder : Gille Flottes, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Marion Lanave, 1,5L
5. **Officer** (Munjiz ex Vantage Lady by Darweesh), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: Jean-Pierre Daireaux, jockey : Maxime Guyon, 1,5L

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Prix Pierre Pechdo
1700 m – Total prize-money: 9 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards
1. **Mujahid** (Mahabb ex Limited Edition by Ezil), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Matthias Lauron

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2. **Djelilla** (Munjiz ex Djourella by Kerbella), f 4-y-o, breeder: Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Clément Cadel, 2,5 L
3. **Caracole de Bozouls** (Dahess ex Udjidor de Bozouls by Dormane), m 6-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagri, trainer: Hector de Lageneste, jockey : Maxime Foulon, 11L
4. **Engun de Bozouls** (Muguet de Pascade ex Bab Al Shams by Barour de Cardonne), f 4-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagri, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 1,5L
5. **Dingue de Toi Bozouls** (Muguet de Pascade ex Meduse de Bozouls by Prim de Syrah), h 5-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagri, trainer: Hector de Lageneste, jockey :Julien Grosjean, 9,5L

13 July 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Nez d'Or – Wathba Stallions Cup
1900 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 3-y-o
1. **Adieb** (Munjiz ex Gaira by Akbar), c, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Mickael Barzalona
2. **Muthhil QA** (Amer ex New Princess by Dormane), c, breeder and owner: Sheail bin Khalifa Al Kuwari, trainer: Mme J.F. Bernard, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, head
3. **Onward** (Munjiz ex Samrah by Akbar), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, short head
3. **Al Azeeza** (Munjiz ex Oassila Thabet by Akbar), f, breeder : Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, short head
5. **Harrab UAE** (Bibi de Carrere ex Waahiba by Akbar), c, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 2L

Prix Razzia III (Gr.3PA)
1800 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €
For 3-y-o fillies
1. **Baseel** (Munjiz ex Assrar by Dormane), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Mickael Barzalona
2. **Bayan** (Munjiz ex Mowafaka by Tidjani), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, short neck
3. **Farida du Croate** (Munjiz ex Topaze du Croate by Dormane), breeder : Eliane Davy-Boudet and J.F. Boudet, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 2L
4. **Gtnah** (TM Fred Texas ex Mayada by Amer), breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Faleh Nasser Bughenaim, 1/2L
5. **Maravilla Al Maury** (Seraphin du Paon ex Manganite Al Maury by Munjiz), breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 1,5L

Prix Tidjani (Gr.3PA)
1900 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €
For 3-y-o colts
1. **Fettah du Loup** (Kerbella ex Paida du Loup by Dormane), breeder : M. Dupont, owner: Khalid Khasruzzaman, trainer: Mrs J.F. Bernard, jockey : Olivier Peslier

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2. **Citronnier de Ghazal** (Madjani ex Citronnelle de Ghazal by Kesberoy), breeder and owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 1/2L
3. **Badi Al Cham** (Azadi ex Al Mazina by Dormane), breeder : H. Mousli, N. Mousalli, F. Al Elweet, owner: Faiz Al Elweet, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, short head
4. **Kanaan** (Sarrab ex Shamayl by Kesberoy), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, neck
5. **Hayyan** (Munjiz ex Dahwa by Tidjani), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 4L

19 July 2018 – Mont-de-Marsan
Prix Dunixi
1600 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €
For 3-y-o
1. **Di Occo Py** (Nizam ex Keniah by Kesberoy), c, breeder and owner: Pierre-Yves Juillard, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Jimmy Martin
2. **Mashael** (Seraphin du Paon ex Fajer by Dormane), f, breeder : Al Asayl Racing, owner: Ali Hamad Al Attiya, trainer: Elias Mikhalides, jockey : Clément Cadel, 1/2L
3. **Malicia Al Maury** (Nizam ex Manganite Al Maury by Munjiz), f, breeder : Renée-Laure Koch, owner: Sheail bin Khalifa Al Kuwari, trainer: D. de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, 3,5L
4. **Champasak** (Sarrab ex Sylia du Cayrou by Kesberoy), m, breeder and owner: Guy Cherel, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 3/4L
5. **Maraasem GB** (Akim de Ducor ex Tashreefat by Bengali d'Albret), f, breeder : Shadwell Estate Co Ltd, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Mickael Forest, 1,5L

22 juillet 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Mandore
1900 m – Total prize-money: 12 000 €
For 4-y-o and upwards - Fillies and mares only
1. **Hothour** (Azadi ex Amira Al Chame by Kesberoy), 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Faleh Nasser Bughenaim

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2. **Rkaya** (Burning Sand ex Queen Kong by Kong), 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: T. Fourcy, jockey : J. Cabre, 3/4L
3. **Fantasia Al Maury** (Burning Sand ex Fo Al Maury by Rainbow Al Maury), 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 1,5L
4. **Ankaa Karim** (Nizam ex Arwa by Nuits St Georges), 4-y-o, breeder : H. Mousli, N. Mousalli, F. Al Elweet, owner: Nada Mousalli, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 3/4L
5. **Al Egda** (Amer ex Calyxx by Calin du Loup), 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Marion Lanave, 9,5L

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Prix Burkeguy – Wathba Stallions Cup (Listed PA)

1400 m – Total prize-money: 25 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. Al Shamoos (No Risk Al Maury ex Hamiya by Al Hasim), f 4-y-o, breeder : Mohammad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Delphine Santiago

2. Al Naama (Majd Al Arab ex Entisar by Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, short neck

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3. Ahzar (Munjiz ex Frasquitha by Dormane), h 5-y-o, breeder : Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 2L

4. Hind (Mahabb ex Gliptika by Parusnik), f 4-y-o, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Jimmy Martin, short neck

5. Celeste de Ghazal (Madjanii ex Citronnelle de Ghazal by Kesberoy), f 4-y-o, breeder : Rose Cambon, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Mickael Forest, 5/4L

29 July – Pompadour
Prix des Sables

1700 m – Total prize-money: 9 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. Fantasia Al Maury (Burning Sand ex Fo Al Maury by Rainbow Al Maury), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Clément Cadel

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2. Engun de Bozouls (Muguet de Pascade ex Bab Al Shams by Barour de Cardonne), f 4-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagry, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Dylan Alberca-Gavilan, 1L

3. Elmanara de Carrere (No Risk Al Maury ex Sophie de Carrere by Djouras Tu), f 4-y-o, breeder : Catherine Dell'Ova, owner: Guy Dell'Ova, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Antoine Werle, 2L

4. Emad du Loup (Mahabb ex Una du Loup by Kerbella), c 4-y-o, breeder : M. Dupont, A. Lopez, prop. et trainer: Anthony Lopez, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, 4L

5. Najmat Alafras (Nashwan Al Khalidiah ex Rolly Polly by Falina des Fabries), f 4-y-o, breeder : AM. Hamilton Al Aidarous, owner: Awn Al Aidarous, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 6,5L

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1st August 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Akbar

1900 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €

For 3-y-o colts

1. Neef (General ex Sarahmina by Tornado de Syrah), breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Gabriel Bon

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3. Harrab UAE (Bibi de Carrere ex Waahiba by Akbar), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey : Samy Le Guilleuc, short head

4. Muthhil QA (Amer ex New Princess by Dormane), breeder and owner: Sheail bin Khalifa Al Kuwari, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, 5/4L

5. Shalaa (Dahess ex Dormadora by Dormane), breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Mickael Forest, 1/2L

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Prix Mangalie d'Albret – Wathba Stallions Cup

1900 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €

For 3-y-o fillies

1. Al Haffanah (Amer ex Al Nachmiya by Azadi), breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Flavien Garnier

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2. **Fortuna Al Maury** (No Risk Al Maury ex Friandise Al Maury by Rainbow Al Maury), breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Olivier Trigodet, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 1/4L
3. **Opportunity** (Munjiz ex Theory by Baco du Cassou), breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : David Morisson, short head
4. **Adiba** (Burning Sand ex Al Anqa by Amer), breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 5/4L
5. **Eclipse Al Maury** (Munjiz ex Bombe de Ghazal by Zippy Al Maury), breeder and owner: Renée-Laure Koch, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, 3/4L

5 August 2018 – Gramat
Prix Maderba – Prix des Vignerons de Glanes

2200 m – Total prize-money: 9 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards - Fillies and mares only

1. **Elmanara de Carrere** (No Risk Al Maury ex Sophie de Carrere by Djouras Tu), f 4-y-o, breeder : Catherine Dell'Ova, owner: Guy Dell'Ova, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Antoine Werle
2. **Djelilla** (Munjiz ex Djourella by Kerbella), f 4-y-o, breeder: Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Clément Cadel, 1,5L
3. **Caracole de Bozouls** (Dahess ex Udjidor de Bozouls by Dormane), m 6-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagri, trainer: Hector de Lageneste, jockey : Maxime Foulon, 2,5L
4. **Bayyan Qardabiyah** (Dormane ex Matmat by Chahata), m 6-y-o, breeder : Ecurie Qardabiyah Sarl, owner and trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Dylan Alberca-Gavilan, 4,5L
5. **Willful** (Munjiz ex Sara by Darike), m 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoo bin Zayed, trainer: Jean-Pierre Daireaux, jockey : Gabriel Bon, 4,5L

8 August 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Arca

1600 m – Allocation totales : 14 000 €

For 4-y-o

1. **Mashhur Al Khalediah** (Jalnar Al Khalidiah ex Amerah Al Khalediah by Amer), c, breeder : Al Khalediah Stables, owner: Athbah Stud, trainer: Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Anthony Crastus
2. **Amjiz de Piboul** (Munjiz ex Amerella by Amer), c, breeder: Gilles Flottes, Marcel Mézy, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal, 2,5L
3. **Celeste de Ghazal** (Madjanii ex Citronnelle de Ghazal by Kesberoy), f, breeder : Rose Cambon, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 1,5L
4. **Meelad** (Azadi ex Al Dahma by Amer), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 5L
5. **Eclair du Paladin** (Nizam ex Noa des Tunes by Dormane), g, breeder : P. Duscio, owner: J.L. Pelletan & P. Duscio, trainer: J.L. Pelletan, jockey : Julien Augé, 3,5L

10 August 2018 – Dax
Prix Dahman – Wathba Stallions Cup

2100 m – Total prize-money: 16 000 €

For 3-y-o

1. **Maraasem GB** (Akim de Ducor ex Tashreefat by Bengali d'Albret), f, breeder : Shadwell Estate Co Ltd, owner: Sh. Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras
2. **Dhaafer** (Sarrab ex Baraaqa by Sire d'Albret), c, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Gabriel Bon, 1/2L
3. **Kanaan** (Sarrab ex Shamayl by Kesberoy), c, breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, 7/4L
4. **Ziva du Connors** (No Risk Al Maury ex Pia du Cassou by Darike), f, breeder and owner: Jean-Pierre Sarret, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Maxime Foulon, 5/4L
5. **Onward** (Munjiz ex Samrah by Akbar), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Tahnoon bin Zayed, trainer: David Morisson, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, 5/4L

12 August 2018 – Aurillac
Prix Danbik

2000 m – Total prize-money: 9 000 €

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Bayyan Qardabiyah** (Dormane ex Matmat by Chahata), m 6-y-o, breeder : Ecurie Qardabiyah Sarl, owner and trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Vincent Chenet
2. **Caracole de Bozouls** (Dahess ex Udjidor de Bozouls by Dormane), m 6-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagri, trainer: Hector de Lageneste, jockey : Jordan Plateaux, 2L
3. **Al Egda** (Amer ex Calyxx by Calin du Loup), f 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Maxime Foulon, 5/4L
4. **Engun de Bozouls** (Muguet de Pascade ex Bab Al Shams by Barour de Cardonne), f 4-y-o, breeder : Earl Mezagry, owner: Marcel Mézy, trainer: Eric Dell'Ova, jockey : Dylan Alberca-Gavilan, 1/2L
5. **Al Neksh** (Amer ex Redjila by Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Quentin Houdoin, 5,5L

17 August 2018 – La Teste de Buch
Prix Nevadour (Gr.3PA)

1900 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €

For 4-y-o fillies

1. **Belqees** (Mahabb ex Aleefa by Kesberoy), breeder : Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier-Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Ioritz Mendizabal
2. **Al Shamoos** (No Risk Al Maury ex Hamiya by Al Hasim), breeder : Mohammad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Delphine Santiago, head
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5. **Al Ghashamiya** (General ex Nefertarie by Mahabb), breeder : Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérôme Cabre, 3/4L

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Axelle Nègre de Watrigant

President of the French Arabian Horse Racing Association (AFAC)

CCA: You have recently been elected President of the AFAC and declared in a press release to your members that you were not really prepared for the position. You have already held the position as Vice President for some years, so was this not a position you were aiming for?

A. NdW: The AFAC is a big team. The most active members on the board of directors are known for their different areas of expertise and complement each other. Against that rich background, the AFAC has been able to innovate, explain the latest sanitary obligations to its members, to manage the racing program and nurse the relationship with the sponsors, to develop its digital communication strategy, etc.…

For example, no one can teach the youngsters more than Mister Plantin or Mister Jean-Marc de Watrigant. The AFAC started from nothing in 1989. They belonged to a group of breeders who created the AFAC. They financed certain races with a percentage of their sales, they developed the fixture list little by little, they created the sales at Toulouse and then the Arqana sales, they set up IFAHR, attracted sponsors…
They are the heart of our association and we need them, we need their knowledge. The way AFAC is set up suits me just fine. It is true, I didn't expect to be offered this position, at least not this soon.

"For example, no one can tach the youngsters more than Mister Plantin or Mister Jean-Marc de Watrigant."

CCA: Has your position as the President of the Regional committee of racing in the South West been beneficial in the relationship between the AFAC and France Galop? If yes, could you let us now in what way?

A. NdeW: My experience in the thoroughbred industry, the racing program and the setup of the fixture list has naturally been an advantage in the organisation of programming Arabian racing in France. It is true that when I arrived, the situation was difficult, and the budget of the racing program was mainly in the red.
It is enough to look at the progress that has been made over the last few years. We have great races at beautiful first-class racecourses but also on racecourses outside Paris, which are very dear to our heart.

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CCA : Are you going to combine those two positions? Is there enough time for both positions? Or is it a case of those two positions complementing each other?

A. NdeW: I have already been the Vice President of the Afac for many years and I have been involved in most of the issues, so that is not going to change anything. I also have my racing stable to manage and I have two young children, so some trips abroad are not going to be possible. However, I have a team to work with me and Melanie Valemberghe, who has joined us and who I knew when she worked with the Watrigant family is going to be a great help. She is young, friendly and dynamic and will be a valuable help.

CCA: Between 2010 and 2017 the number of Purebred Arabian races have increased by 12 % from 75 races a year to 84 and an average increase of prize-money by 66%. Do you think this trend will continue and according to you, do you believe that the French Arabian breeding industry is actually taking advantage of this improvement?

A. NdeW: The three sources of financing our racing program are France Galop, the breeding funds and sponsors. The latter ones represent two third of that investment and so naturally, we provide them with all our services, our new digital communication and many publications in order to promote them as much as possible.

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It is true that you could think that our biggest races are often won by our sponsors. The French breeding industry is the leader in the world thanks to certain passionate breeders who were the first to run Arabians in races, even though there was no prize-money to be won at the time!
Our breeders sold French mares and it was that strategy that allowed the big studs of today to reach their true potential. The Arabian racing industry in France is booming, as it is abroad. Racing is growing around the world, mainly thanks to our generous sponsors. The AFAC has to find new countries that will invest in order to improve the basis of our breeding industry. In the future we will work even more towards the development of our sale that we organise in partnership with Arqana.
We have to support our French breeders as the wealth of our breeding industry lies in its diversity. This is a fundamental issue that in the longer term we must defend in the interest of all concerned.

CCA: Every President has his or her own projects and ambitions. Could you tell us what yours are?

A. NdeW: We must continue to increase the number of horses in training in France so that we can develop our racing program. It is recommended in France that each race has a minimum amount of horses. The betting industry and our financial support from France Galop depend on it. As I said before, we must encourage our French breeders.
I wish that authorities like ACA *(French association which is in charge of the Purebred Arabian Studbook)*, WAHO, France Galop and even the State would realise how the Arabian racing industry is booming. Today the AFAC is something of a facilitator. We would like to reinforce our presence and our sport within the decision-making bodies. We would have a point.

CCA: Yves Pantin, the former President of the association and founding member of the AFAC, but also of IFAHR, has been elected Vice President. Will he assist with his experience and knowledge of the Purebred Arabian, a bit like a consultant, or will he take more of a backseat?

A. NdeW: Once more, the Afac is a team and Mister Plantin is our benchmark. President, Vice-President, does it really matter? All we want to do is to improve the Arabian racehorse breed and for that we each need our passionate supporters!

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CCA: You are the first woman to take on the role as President of the AFAC. Do you think it is natural that it has taken this long or is it more because none of the women (apart obviously of the different directors) has ever expressed the wish to become more involved? There are very few women in the office even though they are well represented in the ranks of the breeders and owners of Arabian horses. How do you explain that phenomena?

A. NdeW: In our last elections we have just welcomed a young woman by the name of Emilie Quessada! The racing world has for a long time been a male dominated universe and things take time to evolve. At France Galop, I am often still the only woman in the meeting.
But look at Patricia Musial who is very involved in the organisation of events in the Arabian racing world or the career of Val Bunting. And there is the success and the amazing career of Renée-Laure Koch, the one of Lara Sawaya who promotes the development of Arabian racing all over the world.

And I would also like to point out that this interview is done by a woman. We are everywhere and all very passionate!

Interview by Noëlle Derré.
Translated in english by Liz Price

A hat trick for Flor de Lis

Products of the Flor de Lis breeding operation, owned by Teresa de Borbon, have won three series of the XXIV Arabes&Co 2018. Zankadilla and Jacobo Torralbo won the 2018 Arabes&Co trophy, as well as the open three-day event.

The competition started at 9 am on Saturday morning with the Halter show, judged by Cristina Valdes. There was some sunshine mixed in with some clouds in the morning that became thicker in the afternoon, but there was no rain. The show was divided into geldings, mares and stallions. **Armanak** by Fiolek out of Daikiri (Flor de Lis) won the stallion division, while **Zirkonita** by Unikornio out of Noska (Flor de Lis) won the mare's division. In the gelding division, the 22-year-old grey veteran **Puskin** by Fiolek out of Finkara (Amaia Palmero) and **Zokalo** by Unikornio out Paskua (Flor de Lis) both received 90.50 points. As Zokao had the better type grade he was hence declared the winner.

Following the Halter show the dressage event took place, which was won by Jacobo Torralbo and **Zankadilla** by Fiolek out of Urraka (Flor de Lis), who had also won the Arabes&Co event and the open three-day event. Antonio Delgado and Zokalo were the runner-up, while Ignacio Torralba and **Alkazar** by Hannaya Barigh out of Odaliska (Flor de Lis) finished third. In the "intermediate" category, Diego Carmona and Armanak finished first, followed by Laura Gonzalez and **FL-Elektra** by Yakut out of Noska (Flor de Lis) and Sara Maiz and **LAG-Fadil** by Lag Abadan out of Adal Umbria (La Gerencia). The exhibition round over the jumps that took place on the Brazomar de Castro-Urdiales beach had no effect on those provisional rankings.

On Sunday morning, still graced with sunshine and some clouds but no rain, the cross country division of the "experts" took place. There were some eliminations and only three pairings finished without getting any penalties: Antonio Delgado and Zokalo, Jacobo Torralbo and Zankadilla and Amaia Martinez and **LAG-Elba** by Lag Abadan out of Pikara (La Gerencia).
In the "intermediate" category there were also a number of eliminations and it was Jaime Bautista and **FL-Briska** by Hanaya Barigh out of Maraka (Flor de Lis) who finished a provisional first.

At the beginning of the afternoon, some rain fell during the show jumping competition. Jacobo Torralbo and Zankadilla

XXIV ARABES&CO 2018 TROPHY

1	ZANKADILLA	Jacobo Torralbo	Flor de Lis
2	ZOKALO	Antonio Delgado	Flor de Lis
3	LAG-ELBA	Amaia Martínez	La Gerencia
4	ZIRKONITA	Luis Mericaechevarría	Flor de Lis

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LAG-CAOBA

PUSKIN

XXIV ARABES&CO 2018 "Intermediate"

1	FL-BRISKA	Jaime Bautista	Flor de Lis
2	VIZKACHA	Ignacio Torralbo	Flor de Lis
3	JARABIK	Elene Santamaría	Katibi
4	ARMAÑAK	Diego Carmona	Flor de Lis
5	LAG-FADIL	Sara Maíz	La Gerencia

again had a clear round and lifted the Arabes&Co championship for the second consecutive year. At the same time, they also won the Open three-day event.
Antonio Delgado and Zokalo were the runner-up, while Amaia Martinez and LAG-Elba finished third.

In the "intermediate" category, Jaime Bautista and FL-Briska came first, followed by Ignacio Torralba and **Vizkacha** by Fiolek out of Zakateka (Flor de Lis) and Elene Santamaria and **Jarabik** by Re Persik Vall out of Estela (Katibi).
As to the "Beginners", Maria Gomila and **LAG-Caoba** by Nipkov out of Maz Mezquita (La Gerencia) took the 0.80 series and Lucia Calvo won the 0.60 series with the veteran Puskin.

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Translated in english by Liz Price

XXIV ARABES&CO 2018 "Beginners" 0,80

1	LAG-CAOBA	María Gomila	La Gerencia

XXIV ARABES&CO 2018 "Beginners" 0,86

1	PUSKIN	Lucía Moreno	Flor de Lis

ARABIAN TROPHY - Inter.C

Yearling female Gold
AJ Temaa
(AJ Marzan
ex True Desire LL
by Ames Charisma)
Breeder: Ajman Stud
Owner:
Al Shiraa Stables

Yearling female
Silver
Cyr Persha EA
(Shanghai EA ex Twom
Perlina
by LM Perlamor)
Breeder:
Equus Arabian
Owner:
Victor Jara Milo

Yearling female
Bronze
Eliana RC
(Pogrom ex Aja Europa
by Aja Justified)
Breeder and owner:
Royal Cavalry of Oman

Yearling male Gold: Aj Sanad
(AJ Mardan ex Aj Sultana by Marwan Al Shaqab)
Breeder: Ajman Stud / Owner: Al Shiraa Stables

Yearling male Silver: Jawad RC
(Emerald J ex Juvita by WH Justice)
Breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Yearling male Bronze: SDL No Comment
(Marajj ex Avalon Kortana by Kubinec)
Breeder and owner: Pascale Panchaud

CHAZEY SUR AIN / FRANCE - 11-12 MAY 2018

The International C competition of Chazey sur Ain took place on the 11 and 12 May. This is the first international Arabian Halter Show in the French calendar. It is part of the qualifiers for the Coupe de France. The event is organised by the ACA Rhône-Alpes and the people who look after the show are Gilles Morand, Nicolas Meyer and Pascal Peyrache, as well as Alain Chardes, the treasurer of the association, who is actively involved. 51 contenders, including 34 juniors, pretty much equally divided in colts and fillies, as well as 17 seniors, including ten mares and 7 stallions, went in front of the judges that included Christine Valette from France, Mohammed Machmoum from Morocco, Régis Huet from France and Martine Van Hee from Belgium. Jean-Bernard Kupaj and Bertrand Valette were sitting on the Disciplinary Committee.

Photos by Myriam Chatton

Junior female Gold
Nabila RC
(EKS Alihandro ex Naw Chah Name by Bolero EM)
Breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Bronze Junior female Bronze: Elle Marine
(Ajman Moniscione ex Allamara MA by Marwan Al Shaqab)
Breeder: Markelle Arabians

Junior female Silver: Aria Nefertity
(Baha AA ex GH Falcon Femme by Facon BHF)
Breeder: Inga M. Applequist
Owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Junior male Gold: Styx Kalliste
(Shanghai EA ex L'A Saalmanh by BS Specific)
Breeder and owner: Kalliste Arabians

Junior male Silver: Daa Nairobi
(Hariry Al Shaqab ex AJ Narida by Murana's Jassehr)
Breeder and owner: Dalia Arabians

Junior male Bronze: Mansour Al Shuail
(EKS Alihandro ex DA Pescence by Padrons Psyche)
Breeder: Al Muwad Stud
Owner: Al Shuail Arabians

ARABIAN TROPHY - Inter.C

Senior female Gold
Magic Ma Cherie
(Winosprees Mirage ex Elettra by Hadidi)
Breeder: Fontanella Magic Arabians
Owner: Al Shiraa Stables

Senior female Silver
Lola OS
(Monther Al Nasser ex L Luchina OS by El Cid)
Breeder: Osterhaf Stud
Owner: Al Shiraa Stables

Senior female Bronze: Zawah de Lam
(AS Kayro ex Wilaya de Lam by Ekla de Gargassan)
Breeder: Lams Arabians
Owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Senior male Bronze: Nader Bu Thaila
(Nader Al Shaqab ex Osoul Al Shaqab by Gazal Al Shaqab)
Breeder: Bu Thaila Farm
Owner: Abdul Hadi Manaa

Senior male Gold
Subhi
(Ajman Moniscione ex Lady Sorrel by Kubinec)
Breeder an owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Senior male Silver: Jaamal de Cartherey
(Ajman Moniscione ex Yallah bint Mahalim by Mahalim ibn Hallim)
Breeder: Chantal Rigat / Owner: Jean Mantilleri

CHAZEY SUR AIN / FRANCE - 11-12 MAY 2018

Yearling fillies
1. **Cyr Persha EA** (Shanghai EA ex Twom Perlina by LM Perlamor), breeder: Equus Arabian, owner: Victor Jara Milo
2. **Eliana RC** (Pogrom ex Aja Europa by Aja Justified), breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
3. **Agmal Sharah** (Byys K ex Melina El Madan by El Tino), breeder and owner: Agmal Arabians
4. **Agmal Psyrina** (Prys K ex JB Synderella by CE Magnum), breeder and owner: Agmal Arabians

Yearling fillies/A
1. **AJ Temaa** (AJ Marzan ex True Desire LL by Ames Charisma), breeder: Ajman Stud, owner: Al Shiraa Stables
2. **Sania du Cayron** (Sma Magicone ex Joseph's Sierra by Edin), breeder: Yan Arabians, owner: Jean Courtequisse

Two-year-old fillies
1. **Nabila RC** (EKS Alihandro ex Nawal Chah Name by Bolero EM), breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
2. **Fatin Albidayer** (SMA Macic One ex Falcons Love Song Bhf by Fallow BHF), breeder and owner: Sheikh Mohamed Al Qasimi
3. **Shams Mams** (AMG Dali ex Negm by Ajman Moniscione), owner: Mamoun Tarek
4. **Harmonia JJ** (Hariry Al Shaqab ex L'Imperatrice EA by Shanghai EA), breeder: JJ Arabians, owner: Simon Jaky
5. **Fendi Kalliste** (Fadi Al Shaqab ex Starlight de Lam by Pegase EF), breeder et owner: Kalliste Arabians
6. **Shirin JJ** (Sharahm ex SF Shaklina by Sanadik El Shaklan), breeder: Johanna Ulström, owner: Audentia Bytneships
7. **Abha Berenice** (ZT Magnofantasy ex Gual Alba by Gual Sadam), breeder: Ganaderia Ses Planes, owner: Sabine Milinovic
8. **Hamasat Albidayer** (Excalibur EA ex Falcons Love Song BHF), breeder and owner: Sheikh Mohamed Al Qasimi
9. **Sigma Kalliste** (Shanghai EA ex LA Saalman by BS Specific), breeder and owner: Kalliste Arabians

Three-year-old fillies
1. **Elle Marine** (Ajman Moniscione ex Allamara MA by Marwan Al Shaqab), breeder: Markelle Arabians, owner: Al Jood Stud
2. **Ilham Aladeyat** (EKS Alihandro ex Inspired Princess Natalia by Ajman Moniscione), breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
3. **Aria Nefertity** (Baha AA ex GH Falcon Femme by Facon BHF), breeder: Inga M. Applequist, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Yearling colts
1. **Shareem RC** (FA El Rasheem ex EKS Shakira by Shakir El Marwan), breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
2. **BO AS Prince Shakar** (Shakar Pegasus ex HD Prestige by Bolero EM), breeder: Bolero Arabian Stud, owner: Ruth Wenzel
3. **Elje Venitio** (Inizio ex Visa de Gargassan by NA Colt), breeder and owner: Berger/Besnard

Yearling colts/A
1. **AJ Sanad** (AJ Mardan ex AJ Sultana by Marwan Al Shaqab), breeder: Ajman Stud, owner: Al Shiraa Stud
2. **Jawad RC** (Emerald J ex Juvita by Wh Justice), breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
3. **SDL No Comment** (Marajj ex Avalon kortana by Kubinec), breeder and owner: Pascale Panchaud
4. **Agmal Thiago** (RP Burj Al Arab ex Tamara LL by Gris El Jaamal), breeder and owner: Agmal Arabians

Two-year-old colts
1. **Daa Nairobi** (Hariry Al Shaqab ex AJ Narida by Murana's Jassehr), breeder and owner: Dali Arabians
2. **Raheed Bu Thaila** (Wazeer Al Shaqab ex KZ Malakat Al Lail by KZ Alone), breeder: Bu Thaila Farm, owner: Abdul Hadi Manaa
3. **SDL Magic Night Stone** (Magic Magnifique ex TA Arabella by AH Kuda), breeder and owner: Pascale Panchaud

Three-year-old colts
1. **Styx Kalliste** (Shanghai EA ex L'A Saalmanh by BS Specific), breeder and owner: Kalliste Arabians
2. **Mansour Al Shuail** (EKS Alihandro ex DA Pescence by Padrons Psyche), breeder: Al Muwad Stud, owner: Al Shuail Arabians
3. **Fantastik** (IM Bayard Cathare ex Luly Fantastika by QR Marc), breeder: Maryse Teyssier, owner: Nathalie Lust
4. **Muntasir Albidayer** (Kanz Albidayer ex Manal Albidayer by Marajj), breeder and owner: Sheikh Mohamed Al Qasimi
5. **Argan Al Salhiyah** (Sabeh Al Sahyah ex ZT Fantmaisa by ZE Shak Fantasy), breeder: Pietro di Damilano, owner: Milinovic
6. **Lahyan des Aubus** (Maximilian ex Lareva by Padrons Immage), breeder: Elevage des Aubus, owner: Mantilleri/Coutty
7. **Psencio** (RFI Farid ex JB Psynderella by CE Magnum), breeder: Kerstin Dolfe, owner: Eriska Arabians

From 4 to 6-y-o mares
1. **OM El Basilea** (El Nabila B ex OM El Bashara Estopa by OM El Shahmaan), 2012, breeder: OM El Arab, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
2. **Kas Dalida** (Ajman Moniscione ex Atheena by Kubinec), 2014, breeder: Roefs Wenche Mevr, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
3. **Noor Aladeyat** (IM Bayard Cathare ex Nawal Chah Name by Bolero EM), 2014, breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
4. **Scylla de Nautiac** (Wind EA ex Sliema by Wh Justice), 2013, breeder: Haras de Nautiac, owner: Serge Cluchier

Seven-year-old mares and upwards
1. **Magic Ma Cherie** (Winosprees Mirage ex Elettra by Hadidi), 2006, breeder: Fontanella Magic Arabians, owner: Al Shiraa Stables
2. **Zawah de Lam** (AS Kayro ex Wilaya de Lam by Ekla de Gargassan), 2006, breeder: Lams Arabians, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
3. **Lola OS** (Monther Al Nasser ex L Luchina OS by El Cid), 2011, breeder: Osterhaf Stud, owner: Al Shiraa Stables
4. **HP Martina** (ST Synbad ex Hafati Bel Charm by Belmont), 2005, breeder: Agricola Y Haras Panquehue, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
5. **Khidara RLC** (Khidar ex Pretty Princess TGS by Bey Chahmaal), 2011, breeder: Rodrigo Castro, owner: Eriska Arabians
6. **Erabea** (Piber ex Elandra by Monogramm), 2005, breeder: Eska Michalow, owner: Eriska Arabians

From 4 to 6-y-o stallions
1. **Jahamal de Cartherey** (Ajman Moniscione ex YAllah bint Mahalim by Mahalim ibn Hallim), 2012, breeder: Chantal Rigat, owner: Jean Mantilleri
2. **Nader Bu Thaila** (Nader Al Shaqab ex Osoul Al Shaqab by Gazal Al Shaqab), 2012, breeder: Bu Thaila Farm, owner: Abdul Hadi Manaa
3. **Sahir Albidayer** (SMA Magic One ex San Jose Alfonsina by Hafati Express), 2014, breeder and owner: Sheikh Mohamed Al Qasimi
4. **Benjhy** (Magic Magnifique ex Joseph's Boudhna by Enzo), 2013, breeder: Nicolas Meyer, owner: Solène Cuvereaux
5. **Al Khasib** (AJ Mardan ex Kwestura by Monogram), 2014, breeder: Ajman Stud, owner: Der Kazarian Paul

Seven-year-old stallions and upwards
1. **Subhi** (Ajman Moniscione ex Lady Sorrel by Kubinec), 2010, breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman
2. **SG Imagine** (Wh Justice ex SG Hessta Shaklana by Essteem), 2007, breeder and owner: George Susan

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ZT Marwteyn x Just Adore by WH Justice
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H.H. Sheikh Mansoor Festival's World Arabian Horse Racing Forum 2018

From Tuesday, 1st May to Sunday, 6th May, the "HH Sheikh Mansoor Festival's World Arabian Horse Racing Forum 2018", organised by Lara Sawaya, the executive manager of the Festival, took place in Madrid. More than 500 participants from more than 80 countries participated in the Festival, which is a world event in the promotion of Purebred Arabian racehorses. After the opening day, participants were treated to several conferences and talk shows, including a very interesting presentation regarding Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, who founded the United Arab Emirates exactly one hundred years ago.

Breeding and training, the different criteria regarding the legislation of embryo transfers and its complications, as well as the future of Purebred Arabian racing were the more pertinent themes of the conference. In short, to produce a champion the breeding and the perfect pedigree is absolutely essential, as is a bit of genetic luck, as even though it is widely recognised that great breeding produces great results, it is not a certainty. Pedigree, conformation and performance is vital, but nutrition, upbringing and training is just as important in the making of a great racehorse.

Over the weekend, conferences made room for sport, with racing and endurance racing on the cards. Three races, worth 55 000 Euros, were run at the Seville Dos Hermanas racecourse, including a very first listed race. It was indeed the first time a listed race was run at the "Gran Hipodromo de Andalucia". Races were presided by Lara Sawaya, Roberto Cocheteux, the Chairman of the racecourse and Barbara de Mieulle, in charge of Arabian horses in the Spanish Jockey Club. More than 400 people from around the world had travelled to the racecourse, including an important number of diplomatic visitors. About 12 Ambassadors from the United Arab Emirates based in Madrid and London had joined the crowd.

Ajaayib by Mahaab out of Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret), owned by Sheikh Hamadan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, won the 1500 meter Listed PA Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan Cup. Ajaayib is trained by François Rohaut and was ridden by Mikael Forest.

The other major race of the day was the 1900 meter HH Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak Apprentice World Championship. Horses in the race came from Dubai, France, Morocco and Oman, while apprentices came from Germany, Belgium, Cyprus, Spain, Hungary, Ireland, Norway, Oman, UK and Turkey. **Al Mah'youb** by Dormane out of Al Moutawakila (Al Sakbe), owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman and trained by Charles Gourdain won the race under Belgium apprentice Sanne de Ceulaer.

In the third race, an event of the HH Sheikha Lateefa bint Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan Pony International Race Series, Alfonso Perez-Luna guided **Rayo** to victory. He wins a trip to Abu Dhabi for himself and his family, where he will represent Spain in the final of the Pony Championship on 9 November.

Races, as well as the different conferences of the HH Sheikh Mansoor Festival's World Arabian Horse Racing Forum were shown live on YAS TV Sport in the United Arab Emirates.

Text Kristian Fenaux,
Photos Sheikh Mansoor Festival.
Translated in English by Liz Price

Premio 100 years Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan Cup (Listed PA)

1500 m – Total prize-money: 35 000 €

1. **Ajaayib FR** by Mahabb out of Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret), c 4-y-o, breeder: Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Mikael Forest
2. **Al Naama FR** by Majd Al Arab out of Entisar (Djebbel), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Grosjean, 3 L 3/4

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3. **Al Shamoos FR** by No Risk Al Maury out of Hamiya (Al Hasim), f 4-y-o, breeder: Mohamad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing Ltd, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Richard Mullen, ½ L
4. **Evrest Hipolyte FR** by Nizam out of Mantalo (Al Sakbe), c 4-y-o, breeder: Stéphane Chazel, owner: M'hammed Karimine, trainer: Eduardo Buzon, jockey : A. Moughat, 2L ¼
5. **Diabolo Hipolyte FR** by Nashwan Al Khalidiah out of Mantalo (Al Sakbe), h 5-y-o, breeder: Stéphane Chazel, owner: M'hammed Karimine, trainer: Eduardo Buzon, jockey : J.L. Martinez, 3/4L

The young Alfonso Perez-Luna and Rayo win the pony race. He wins a trip to Abu Dhabi for himself and his family, where he will represent Spain in the final of the Pony Championship.

Premio HH Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak Apprentice World Championship

1900 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €

1. **Al Mah'youb FR** by Dormane out of Al Moutawakila (Al Sakbe), c 4-y-o, breeder: Hassan Mousli, Faiz Al Elweet, Nadia Mousalli, owneer: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Sanne de Ceulaer

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2. **Injal FR** by Jalnar Al Khalidiah out of Indiana del Sol (Djourman), c 4-y-o, breeder and owner: M'hammed Karimine, trainer: Eduardo Buzon, jockey : Saif Al Balushi
3. **Sandeed GB** by Amer out of Saeedah (Djel Bon), g 9-y-o, breeder: Umm Qarn Management, owner: Associacao Porto Racing, trainer: JP Macedo Costa Oliveira, jockey : Melina Ehm
4. **Al Neksh FR** by Amer out of Redjila (Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Huszar Korinna
5. **El Abid FR** by Asraa Min Albarq out of Uranie de Maligne (Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: JB Aubies Trouilh, owner and trainer: Marc Comas Molist, jockey : Sophie Ralston

International weekend at Tunis :

the absolute dominance of the Meddeb stud

On 26 and 27 of May, the Tunis racing company organised an international weekend that included two races open to Purebred Arabians: The Group 3 PA Grand Prix de Carthage and the Grand Prix du Président de la République, which is not recognised by IFAHR but that is nevertheless the richest race in the country and open to international competitors.

Since the revolution, Tunisia, which nevertheless ranks third in the world in terms of number of races open to Purebred Arabians, has known its share of problems. Problems which are mainly linked to the financing of the racing sector. However, rock bottom was reached over the last couple of years with the introduction of the financial law regarding a 25% tax on betting. Not only has the income of the racing company, but also of the FNARC (the National foundation to improve the breed of the horse) been reduced, but it has also brought about clandestine betting (see interview with Dr Naceur Slimane, the CEO of the SCHT on the following pages).

The abolition of this financial law in January 2018 has not yet allowed the Tunisian races to reach its former level, despite the very strong support of the owners who even in the difficult times continued to run their horses without collecting any kind of prize-money or premiums. This situation did not discourage them as Tunisia has about 350 Purebred Arabian racehorse owners that grow at an annual rate of 10%.

In 2017 the FNARC that looks after the Tunisian stud book recorded 454 births. About 60% of these products will race, while 40% will either be used for Halter shows, endurance riding or hobby riding.

Today, Tunisia organises 474 races a year (2017), including 378 races for Purebred Arabians that take place on four racecourses: Kassar Said in the suburbs of Tunis, Monastir on the east coast and to the south east of Tunis, Meknassy, in the centre of the country and Ben Guerdane in the south east close to the border to Libya.

The two international races were run at Kassar Said and attracted mainly Libyan owners. This year, a representative of the Algerian racing company had come to the race and regretted that he hadn't received more information about these races early, as they would have without doubt been of high interest to the owners in his country.

The races

The first meeting on Saturday had six races on the card, including a 1600-metre race for three-year-old Barb horses and Barb Arabians. This race was for the finalists of the regional qualifying races. Sixteen colts and fillies went to the start and the race was won by **Bourak El Baraka** by Hattab out of Kaidoume who is owned by Abdelmajid Gouaidia, a delegation of Sidi Aich in the Gafsa governorate, in the centre of the country. This was the first year that a race for this type of young horses was organised here.

Kassar Said / Tunisia - 26 & 27 May 2018

Twenty Purebred Arabian horses gone to the start of the Tunisian Group 1 Grand Prix du Président de la République, the most prestigious race for Purebred Arabian horses of the country.

The two meetings were opened by two races for Barb and Barb Arabians horses. This year, a new race appeared on the card : an event for three-year-old horses. This race was won by Bourak El Baraka from the Gafsa governorate (photo on the top).

Onset Eddaier won the final for the four-year-old and upwards (photo above).

Of the five other races, four were open to Purebred Arabian horses, including two local Group 2 PA races for three-year-olds: The 1600 metre Prix de l'IFAHR for fillies was won by the Meddeb Stud owned **Ilhem El Khir** by Jalnar Al Khalidiah out of Ourika and the 1600 metre Prix de la République d'Argentine for colts saw the victory of the HS Othman Rajhi owned **Issarab** by Kandar du Falgas out of Rou'ya.

The closing race of this first day was the 2000 metre **Group 3 PA** Grand Prix de Carthage. 20 runners (including 2 horses from Libya) aged between 4 and 8 had gone to the start of this race, which was worth DT 120 000. The race was won by the six-year-old **Forsen** by Majd Al Arab out of Tesherni, who was ridden by Sylvain Ruis. He is owned by the Meddeb stud and is trained by S. Rajhi. He beat the seven-year-old **Intissar Al Musawama** by Kassim out of Manouche de Blaziet by five lengths.

The next day, seven races were on the card, including the final of the Governorate for four-year-old and older Barb and Barb Arabians, two local Group 2 PA races, including one open to horses with Tunisian pedigrees, two local Group 1 PA races, including the Grand Prix du Président de la République and the Prix de la FNARC, which was open to horses with Tunisian pedigrees.

The final of Barb and Barb Arabians saw the victory of the Samir Guidara owned **Onset Eddaier** by Attar out of Selsebil, who represented the Governorate of Sfax.

The second half of the meeting was highlighted by the two major events of the day. The DT 40 000 Prix de la FNARC, the 1700 metre derby for three-year-old Purebred Arabians, had attracted ten colts and eight fillies.The winner was the colt **Ijtihed**

Forsen, winner of the Group 3PA Grand Prix de Carthage, ridden by Sylvain Ruis. He his owned by the Meddeb stud.

Ijtihed and Ibnet Echaambi winner and runner-up of the Prix de la FNARC (3-year-olds Derby).

by Jamak out of Tesherni, who is owned by the Meddeb stud. Three quarters of lengths behind him the filly **Ibnet Echaambi** by Moussoul out of Hlalia finished second. She is owned by Mohamed Mezghani.

Immediately after this race it was time for the most prestigious event on the card, the DT 150 000 Grand Prix du Président de la République. 20 runners, including four fillies had lined up for the 2000 metre event for four-year-old Arabians. What the fillies were lacking in quantity, they made up for in quality, as they dominated the finish. **Hayba** by Tidjam Lotois out of Ouifak beat **Hijazia** by Tidjam Lotois out of Zahwat El Hosn by a short head. A length and three quarters behind the female duo, **Hached**, a son of Tidjam Lotois out of Zinet Sfax took third place. The winner Hayba is owned by Kamel Sakah and is trained by S. Bejaoui.

Let's hope that the year 2018 sees racing, but also the breeding industry, flourish once more in Tunisia. For the last two years, only major breeders like the Meddeb stud that won six of the twelve races of this weekend, have been able to continue in this racing industry that is lacking resources.

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Grand Prix de Carthage (Gr.3PA)
2000 m – Total prize-money: 120 000 DT
For 4-year-old and upwards.

1. **Forsen** (Majd Al Arab ex Tesherni), h. 6-y-o, breeder and owner: Haras Meddeb, trainer: S. Rajhi, jockey : Sylvain Ruis
2. **Intissar Al Musawama** (Kassim ex Manouche de Blaziet), h 7-y-o, owner: Kaled Med Hattab, trainer: Imad Hattab, jockey : Youssef ben Ali, 5L
3. **Dhkar** (Issaoui ex Ouahida), h 8-y-o, breeder, owner and trainer: Med Sahbi Baccouche, jockey : Khalid Ibba, 3/4L
4. **Reh Al Musawana** (Kassim ex Qokine de Blaziet), h 7-y-o, owner: Tarek Souii, trainer: Imad Hattab, jockey : Ho Aboulkacem, 3,5L
5. **Hormoz** (Djelmane ex Bassourah), h 4-y-o, breeder: Sadok Essaied, owner: Haras Ahmed Essaied, trainer: A.B. Jaafar, jockey : S. Ferchichi, loin

Two fillies take the first and the second place of the Grand Prix du Président de la République: Hayba wins by a short head before Hijazia. Both are progenies of the stallion Tidjam Lotois.

Prix de la FNARC (3-y-o Derby)

1700 m – Total prize-money: 40 000 DT

For 3-year-old

1. **Ijtihed** (Jamak ex Tesherni), c, breeder and owner: Haras Meddeb, trainer: S. Rajhi, jockey : Sylvain Ruis
2. **Ibnet Echaambi** (Moussoul ex Hlalia), f, breeder: Touhami Ifaoui, owner: Med Mezghani, trainer: S. Bejaoui, jockey : Stéphane Breux, 3/4L
3. **Istifteh** (Chahata ex Nada), c, breeder and owner: Sadok Trabelsi, trainer: AY. Jaberi, jockey : Kh. Horchani, 8L
4. **Ittijeh** (Sayaf ex Oummi), c, breeder and owner: Ali Marzoughui, trainer: AB. Zaghdoud, jockey : L. Akkari, 6L
5. **Iktissah** (Sayaf ex Zinet Sfax), c, breeder and owner: Ali Meftahi, trainer: J. M'kadem, jockey : K. Ouahabi, 1/2L

Grand Prix du Président de la République

2000 m – Total prize-money: 150 000 DT

For 4-year-old

1. **Hayba** (Tidjam Lotois ex Ouifak), f, breeder and owner: Kamel Sakkah, trainer: S. Bejaoui, jockey : E. Maghraoui
2. **Hijazia** (Tidjam Lotois ex Zahwat El Hosn), f, breeder: Raouf Mlich, owner: Lot. Khiari, trainer: A. HF. Hamdi, jockey : Adrien Fouassier, short head
3. **Hached** (Tidjam Lotois ex Zinet Sfax), c, breeder: Ali Meftahi, owner: Fraj Jourallah, trainer: Zied Rajhi, jockey : A.B. Gouider, 11L3/4
4. **Houmayzi** (Al Nasr ex Barka), c, breeder: Sadok Essaied, owner: Haras Ahmed Essaied, trainer: A.F. Jaafar, jockey : EN. Orallo, 1/2L
5. **Hambel** (Djelmane ex Rouisset), c, breeder and owner: Amara Bouabid, trainer: AK Ben Ali, jockey : K. Ouahabi, neck

Jet Loula sold by the FNARC, obtained the top price of the auction.

Yearly sale of Purebred Arabian colts and fillies

Friday 25 May, the day before the International Weekend, the FNARC organised its yearly two-year-old colts and fillies sale at the National Stud in Sidi Thabet. There was a novelty in terms of the organisation in store for the 2018 edition as the sales ring was reduced in size to avoid that the young horses would be spooked and run off. And there was a new auctioneer from France who had come over for the occasion.

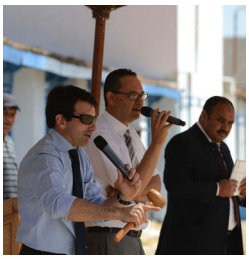
The halfmoon sales ring was also closer to the stalls in the courtyard of the National stud, which facilitated the arrival of the horses and was easy going on the handlers who suffered in the heat, as they could not drink any water because the sales happened in the middle of Ramadan.
87 fillies and colts featured in the catalogue and about 70 of them went through the ring to be seen by the many buyers, including many from the UAE, Libya and Saudi Arabia.

Two fillies were sold for more the DT 50 000. The top price was lot 49, **Jet Loula**, a daughter of Dormane and Melek by Akermi out of Samira. A beautiful chestnut filly, who FNARC sold for DT 52 000*.

The second highest price was paid for **Jasmine Al Badr** (lot 83) who was sold for DT 50 000. This chestnut filly is a pure Tunisian bred, as she is a daughter of Moussoul by Sour out of Tahyet El Ghouroub and Rissela by Halim out of Housseina. She was consigned by Al Badr Stud. Her sire was the winner of local Group 1 races and her dam a winner of a Tunisian Group 3.

The third highest price was paid for a FNARC filly: **Jahida** by Moussoul out of Redeha by Halim out of Noura. She was sold for DT 47 000. She is the full sister of Bint Moussoul, a winner of several local group races, including a Group 1 race.

In total the top eight sales were all fillies with sales prices from DT 22 000 to DT 52 000



Bilingual auctions: in French and in Arabic.

Jasmine Al Badr sold by Al Badr Stud: a pure Tunisian bred..

Jinen Al Badr who obtained the hight price of the colts.

Jahida sold by the FNARC.

The highest price paid for a colt was **Jinen Al Badr** by Nemrod du Paon by Tidjani out of Giulia du Paon and Bissat Al Badr by Dormane out of Echebika. Consigned by Al Badr Stud, he was sold for DT 21 000.

Of the 70 horses that went through the ring, about 50% found new owners. The other were bought back by their owners. The lowest price was around DT 1650, about two and half times of the average Tunisian income. This is the equivalent to a 5000 Euros sales price in France (compared to the average income)

*A 10% surcharge for fees has to be added to the sales price.

A chat with…

Dr Naceur Slimane,

CEO of the Tunisian Horse Racing Company (SCHT)

CCA: You took over the management of the Tunisian Horse Racing Company a year and a half ago. Can you tell us a little bit about you and how you came to occupy this position?

Docteur Naceur Slimane: "I have been a professor of the University hospital in Veterinary medicine (Science and Pathology of animal reproduction) at the National School of Veterinary Medicine in Sidi Thabet, Tunisia, since 2000. Before that I was involved in scientific veterinary research and the biotechnologies of animal reproduction (artificial insemination, embryo transfer, hormones of animal reproduction and the fertility improvement). Since 1983 in France and since 1998 in Tunisia and Africa, I have worked as a Scientific consultant together with the International agency for nuclear energy in Vienna, Austria. In March 2017, the Ministry of Agriculture, water resources and fishery asked me to become the CEO of the Tunisian Horse Racing Company

CCA: What is the set-up of horse racing in Tunisia? Breeding, organisation of races, betting, which ministries look after each of these aspects? How are the premiums distributed? Can you tell us how it all works?

Dr N.S.: The breeding and racing activities fall under the Ministry of Agriculture, water resources and fishery. The FNARC (National foundation for the improvement of the equine breed) is in charge of breeding, reproduction and of the genetic improvement of the equine breed. The Racing company of Ksar Said on the other hand manages the racecourses, as well as several issues relating directly to racing.
The betting industry is part of the Tunisian agency of solidarity that falls under the Ministry of Finances.

"The big problem is that while waiting for an improvement of the financial situation of the Racing Company we still cannot pay our breeders premiums."

FNARC and the Tunisian Horse Racing Company receive each month a percentage of the income generated by the betting industry, which remains insufficient, even after the abolition of the January 2018 law of financing that saw punters paying 25% tax on their winning bets. Hence and according to our financial means, the Tunisian Horse Racing Company pays owners, trainers and jockeys premiums (or a percentage of these premiums as the betting income doesn't come near to meeting our goal). The big problem is that while waiting for an improvement of the financial situation of the Racing Company we still cannot pay our breeders premiums."

CCA: When you arrived at the SCHT, the outlook wasn't very positive for Racing in Tunisia as the State had brought in a 25% tax on the betting income. Can you tell us what the consequences were of this tax law?

DR N.S.: The consequences were disastrous for the equine industry and not just for the racing industry, which was the most affected by this financial law, but in general. As a result of this law (January 2016 to 31 December 2017) the SCHT has published a deficit of 6 Billion Tunisian Dinars and let's not forget the 3 Billion DT loan from ATS, which has to be paid back over three years at a rate 5%. So the total deficit actually comes to DT 9 Billion."

"The months are passing and even though the income has increased, it is still far from meeting our goal."

CCA: And now that this tax law has been abolished, is there an upturn? Is clandestine betting still in existence? Do breeders, owners and trainers benefit from the improvement? How?

Dr N.S.: The tax was abolished in January 2018 and the whole equine industry had high hopes, but the months are passing and even though the income has increased, it is still far from meeting our goal. There are many reasons and as an example we can raise clandestine betting (the detrimental legacy of the 25% tax law), work conditions, as well as the organisation of the teams that are in charge of betting."

CCA: Few foreign trainers, apart from Libyans and Algerians, come to run in Tunisia. Why is that? Is it a problem of the racing program, prize-money or quarantine?

Dr N.S. : It is mostly due to financial issues that neighbouring countries are not running in the International race as it is an expensive event to organise. Also, financial difficulties stop us from promoting and improving the different activities in the racing world."

CCA: What are your plans and goals for the SCHT in the years to come?

Dr N.S.: Everything depends on our financial situation, which includes an ambitious plan for the future but only if racing's gains are invested back into the horse. And we would definitely need a body that would bring together the breeding, the racing and other activities around the horse, as well and most importantly the management of the betting industry. All of the activities have to be pooled in order to ensure the future of the horse. "

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First Group 1PA at the new ParisLongchamp racecourse

On 13th May, the President of the UAE Cup – Coupe d'Europe des chevaux arabes, the first Group 1 PA of the French season came to the newly branded ParisLongchamp racecourse, which had been inaugurated two weeks earlier.

Befitting for the tenth edition of the first major race in the French racing calendar, the race got a new home in form of the ParisLongchamp racecourse. Yes, this is not a spelling mistake, but the new Longchamp is henceforth known as ParisLongchamp.

Inaugurated the 29th of April, the rebuilding of the stands, which had started in December 2015, took two years and four months instead of the originally announced 21 months. It also went over the original budget of 48 Million (as announced in a press release by Bouygues Bâtiment Ile-de-France on 21 December 2015) and cost 92 Million.

Designed by Dominique Perrault, the colours of the main stand and its vast escalators are reminiscent of the Grande Bibliothèque François Mitterand at Tolbiac, another major project of the architect. The new Longchamp stand is sustainable and meets the ecological demands of the Bois de Boulogne and the Climate plan issued by the city of Paris. The site is using renewable energy via photovoltaic panels and geothermal heat.

The new ParisLongchamp racecourse is equipped to meet the current regulations of energy savings. Yes, the new look is not everyone's cup of tea, but even the Eiffel Tower was heavily criticised when it was built and is now a Parisian landmark.

ParisLongchamp - 13 May 2018

The first Group 1 PA of the season produced a very tight finish. Shahm by Mahabb out of Haboob eventually was the first past the post, beating the much more experienced runner-up by a neck.

First Group PA for Shahm

Nine contenders, aged between five and six went to the start of this 2000 meter race. Nearly all of them had already won a Group PA race and four had already scored at the highest level:
Muneera had won the 2017 Qatar Arabian Trophy des Juments at Chantilly, **Khataab** had won the 2017 Doha Cup-Prix Manganate at Deauville, **Lightning Bolt** had won the 2016 UK Derby at Doncaster as well as the 2017 Shadwell Dubai International Stakes at Newbury and **Nafees** had won the 2017 Qatar Derby des 4 ans at Chantilly and the UK Derby at Doncaster.
And it was the favourite **Al Walid** who with two victories to his name already in 2018, including the **Group 2 PA** Prix de Carthage-Hannibal, took the early lead. He was followed closely by **Ahzar**, the runner-up of that same race, as well as Lightning Bolt. But it was **Shahm**, who had the least credentials in this field, who produced a scintillating acceleration to give Mickaël Barzalona a first victory in this race. Nafees and his rider Olivier Peslier finished a neck behind them in second, followed by Lightning Bolt and his partner Cristian Demuro a further short head back in third.

Shahm, bred by Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan and trained by Xavier Thomas Demaulte, hence succeeds this step up in class without having won any Group 3 or Group 2 races.

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Shahm
by Mahabb out of Haboob (Akbar)
Born on 18 avril 2013 in Normandy
the Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan stud farm.
Owner: YAS Horse Racing Management.
Trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte

Race records:
At 4-year-old:
1st Prix Fernand Flottes, Montauban, France, 2250 m
1st Prix des Sables, Pompadour, France, 1700 m
5th Prix Kann, Dax, France, 2100 m
1st Prix Nedjari – Wathba Stallions Cup, Bordeaux, France, 1900 m
4th French Arabian Breeders' Challenge Classic **(Gr.2PA)**, Toulouse, France, 2200 m

At 5-year-old:
4th Prix de Carthage-Hannibal **(Gr.2PA)**, Toulouse, France, 2000 m
1st The President of the UAE Cup-Coupe d'Europe des chevaux arabes **(Gr.1PA)**, ParisLongchamp, France, 2000 m

The President of the UAE Cup – Coupe d'Europe des chevaux arabes (Gr.1PA)

2000 m – Total prize-money: 100 000 €

1. **Shahm** by Mahabb out of Haboob (Akbar), h 5-y-o, breeder: Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey: Mickaël Barzalona
2. **Nafees** by Azadi out of Vivamaria (Njewman), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Olivier Peslier, neck

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3. **Lightning Bolt** by Munjiz out of Oleya du Loup (Kerbella), h 6-y-o, breeder: Karin Van Den Bos, owner: Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Cristian Demuro, short head
4. **Khataab** by Amer out of Djelana (Al Sakbe), h 6-y-o, breeder: Alban de Mieulle, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérôme Cabre, 5/4 lengths
5. **Ahzar** by Munjiz out of Frasquitha (Dormane), h 5-y-o, breeder: Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Pierre-Charles Boudot, 4 lengths

Previous winners of the Coupe d'Europe des chevaux arabes

2009 – Chantilly : **Al Dahma GB** by Amer out of Al Hanoof (Manganate), m 7-y-o, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : David Bouland. Race time: 2'19"60

2010 – Saint-Cloud : **Raqiyah GB** by Amer out of Sarahmina (Tornado de Syrah), f 4-y-o, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier. Race time: 2'13"90

2011 – Saint-Cloud : **Raqiyah GB** by Amer out of Sarahmina (Tornado de Syrah), m 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier. Race time: 2'13"30

2012 – Saint-Cloud : **Damis GB** by Amer out of Kachia (Djelfor), h 7-y-, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier. Race time: 2'17"60

2013 – Saint-Cloud : **Al Mamun Monlau FR** by Munjiz out of Salalah de Monlau (Tidjani), h 5-y-o, breeder: Marie-Ange and Robert Bourdette, owner: Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani, trainer: Jean-François Bernard, jockey : Christophe Soumillon. Race time: 2'21"62

2014 – Saint-Cloud : **Djet Taouy FR** by Dahess out of Win Taouy (Drug 40), h 5-y-o, breeder: Paul Daverio, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Jean-François Bernard, jockey : David Michaux. Race time: 2'22"76

2015 – Longchamp : **Prada T HOL** by Djendel out of Pascha Z (Chndaka), f 4-y-o, breeder, owner an trainer: GT Zoetelief, jockey : Antoine Hamelin. Race time: 2'15"27

2016 – Deauville : **Al Mourtajez FR** by Dahess out of Arwa (Nuits St Georges), h 6-y-o, breeders: Hassan Mousli, Nadia Mousalli et Faiz Al Elweet, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé. Race time: 2'12"51

2017 – Deauville : **Muraaqib FR** by Munjiz out of Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret), h 5-y-o, breeder: Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras. Race time: 2'24"48

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Qatar Derby for four-year-olds:

First Group 1 PA success for Rodess du Loup and second consecutive victory for Charles Gourdain

Since 2012, the Chantilly racecourse has been hosting the 2000 meter Qatar Derby, a race for four-year-olds that takes place on the same day as the famous Prix de Diane Longines.
Even though the race is open to fillies and colts, no filly has ever been successful. In fact, the best performance of a filly in this race was when Sylvine Al Maury by Munjiz out of Savavit Al Maury (Dormane) came second in 2015.

Rodess Du Loup connections from left to right: Gérard Larrieu, representing Haras de Saint-Faust where the colt was bred and the owner M. Khalifa Hamad Al Attiyah, groom Christophe Cholet, jockey Christophe Soumillon, trainer Charles Gourdain and his wife Florence and two sons Pierre and Antoine.

This year, ten colts went into the stalls of this race, including six who had already met on the 27th of April at La Teste in the **Group 3 PA** Prix Dormane: **Hajres**, trained by Elisabeth Bernard, **Rajeh** and **Saleh**, both trained by François Rohaut, **Mashhur Al Khalediah**, trained by Philippe Sogorb, **Rijm**, trained by Thomas Fourcy and the Charles Gourdain trained **Rodess du Loup**. Also in the line-up were two Dutch competitors, the Karin Van Den Bos trained **Akoya** and **Dynamites**, as well as the François Rohaut trained **Goumoh** and **Loskhar**, trained by the Italian Endo Botti.

They left the stalls at 5.25 pm, only twenty minutes after the Prix de Diane Longines, which meant that some spectators had not quite made it back into the stands. In fact, this year, the racecourse seemed not as full as in the other years, but the SNCF train strike might have had something to do with that as most Parisians like to come to Chantilly by train, rather than by car to avoid the traffic jams. Also, the Football World Cup had started three days earlier, which also must have had an effect on spectator numbers.

As soon as the horses left the stalls, Mashhur Al Khalediah by Jalnar Al Khalediah out of Amerah Al Khalediah (Amer) took the lead, accompanied by the two Karin Van Den Bos trained raiders Akoya by Muqatil Al Khalediah out of A l'Ombre del Sol (Tornado de Syrah) and Dynamites by Nashwan Al Khalediah out of Oleya du Loup (Kerbella) as well as Rodess du Loup by Dahess out of Aurore du Loup (Darike). The favourite Rajeh by Jaafer ASF out of Nelka (Tidjani) was galloping just behind the leaders. As they entered the final straight, Rodess du Loup came on the outside to take over the lead, followed by Rajeh on his outside, Hajres by Nizam out of Tohfet Ennadhirine (Vent Dredy) and Rijm by Azadi out of Kerjam (Dormane) who had waited patiently in the middle of the field. With two hundred meters to go, Rijm got his head in front of Rajeh and Hajres, but it was too late as Rodess du Loup had developed wings and was flying towards the finish line.
Behind him, they finished in two groups. Rijm was the runner-up, Hajres came third, followed by Rajeh. Two lengths behind those came Akoya, Goumoh by Jaafer ASF out of Djeldora (Dormane) and Saleh by Munjiz out of Belle Tornade (Tornado de Syrah).

It was a clear victory for Rodess du Loup who wins his first Group 1 PA race by a length. For his trainer Charles Gourdain, he won this race for the second consecutive year.

It is interesting that 80% of the contenders are a second generation of the so-called "Desert bred" stallions, as there were five grandsons of Tiwaiq and three grandsons of Amer.

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Rodess du Loup
by Dahess out of Aurore du Loup (Darike)
Born on 8 May 2014 at Jean-Marc Saphores' stud farm, at three-month-old Rodess du Loup joigned the Haras de Saint-Faust where he was raised by Jean-Paul Larrieu.
Owner: Mr Khalifa Hamad Al Attiyah
Trainer: Charles Gourdain

Race records:
At 3-year-old:
1st at San Sebastian in Spain, 1600m
3rd Prix Cheri Bibi **(Gr.3PA)**, Bordeaux, France, 1900m
2nd Qatar Arabian Trophy des Poulains **(Gr.1PA)**, Saint-Cloud, France, 2000m
1st French Arabian Breeders' Challenge des Poulains (Gr.2PA), Toulouse, France, 1600m

At 4-year-old:
5th Prix Dormane **(Gr.3PA)**, La Teste de Buch, France, 1900m
1st Qatar Derby des pur-sang arabes de 4 ans **(Gr.1PA)**, Chantilly, France, 2000m

Qatar Derby des pur-sang arabes de 4 ans (Gr.1PA)
2000 m – Total prize-money : 150 000 €
1. **Rodess du Loup FR** by Dahess out of Aurore du Loup (Darike), colt, breeder: Jean-Marc Saphores, owner: Khalifa Hamad Al Attiyah, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey: Christophe Soumillon
2. **Rijm FR** by Azadi out of Kerjam (Dormane), colt, breeder: Sheikh Joaan Al Thani, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey: Julien Augé, 1 length

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3. **Hajres TUN** by Nizam out of Tohfet Ennadhirine (Vent Dredy), colt, breeder: Haras Ahmed Essaied, owner: Emadadein Alhtoushi, trainer: Mrs. Jean-François Bernard, jockey: Jean-Bernard Eyquem, neck
4. **Rajeh FR** by Jaafer ASF out of Nelka (Tidjani), colt, breeder: Al Shahania Stud, owner: Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey: François-Xavier Bertras, head
5. **Akoya** by Muqatil Al Khalidiah out of A l'Ombre del Sol (Tornado de Syrah), colt, breeder: Karin Van Den Bos, owner : Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey: Theo Bachelot, 2 lenghts

Previous winners of the Qatar Derby des pur-sang arabes de 4 ans

2012 – Chantilly : **Tabarak GB** by Nizam out of Altesse d'Aroco (Manganate), colt, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey: Olivier Peslier. Race time: 2'18"37

2013 – Chantilly : **Mushrae FR** by Munjiz out of Djezika (Dormane), colt, breeder and owner: Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, trainer: Jean-Pierre Totain, jockey: Christophe Soumillon. Race time: 2'09"04

2014 – Chantilly : **Sir Bani Yas FR** by Amer out of Nassem El Baher (Elios de Carrere), colt, breeder and owner: Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, trainer: Suc. Jean-François Bernard, jockey: Christophe Soumillon. Race time: 2'10"58

2015 – Chantilly : **Mister Ginoux FR** by Amer out of Nacree Al Maury (Kesberoy), colt, breeder: Earl Champ Gignoux, E. Bellaud, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey: Gregory Benoist. Race time: 2'11"18

2016 – Chantilly : **Alsaker FR** by AF Albahar out of Jakkarta (Kesberoy), colt, breeder: Hassan Mousli, Nadia Mousalli, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Mrs. Jean-François Bernard, jockey: Julien Augé. Race time: 2'12"87

2017 – Chantilly : **Nafees FR** by Azadi out of Vivamaria (Njewman), colt, breeder and owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey: Olivier Peslier. Race time: 2'11"06

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06/17/2018 at Chantilly

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(Gr.2PA)
10/26/2017 at Toulouse

NAFEES

Owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman

Shadwell Dubai International Stakes
(Gr.1PA)
07/29/2018 at Newbury

The President of the UAE Cup (UK Arabian Derby)
(Gr.1PA)
09/16/2017 at Doncaster

Qatar Derby des Pur-Sang Arabes de 4 ans
(Gr.1PA)
06/18/2017 at Chantilly

AL SHAMOOS

Owner : Al Nujaifi Racing

Prix Burkeguy – Wathba Stallions Cup
(Listed PA)
07/22/2018 at La Teste de Buch

Prix Djerba Oua
05/27/2018 at Dax

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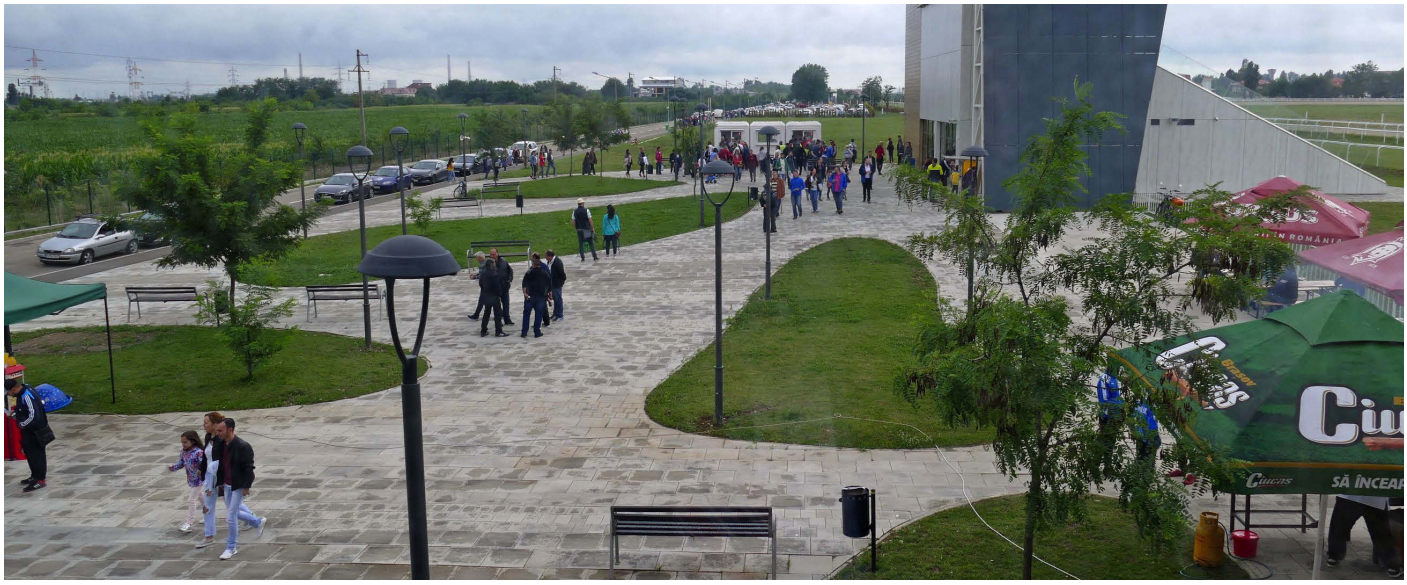

Great success for the first international race meeting in Romania!

by Nelly Philippot – photos : Roger Lothaire & Daniel Angelescu

Following a rather low-key demonstration race for Purebred Arabians last year in the autumn, I was able to convince Lara Sawaya, the director of the HH Sheikh Mansoor Festival, to give the races in Romania a helping hand. A Wathba Stallions Cup was hence added to the meeting on 1 July 2018 at Ploiesti, a new racecourse that is beautiful and well organised. It regularly hosts trotting races but the lovely turf track had in fact never been used!

Before racing finally saw the light of day, Guillaume Fillet, the President of ARAC, the Romanian Purebred Arabian racing association, had to put in a lot of work and effort! First, he had to convince the Forest Ministry, the Jockey Club and the racecourse authority and then he had to convince the owners of the Purebred Arabians. Unfortunately, during the communist era there were no paternity controls and hence, many horses at the Mangalia National Stud are not recognised by WAHO and consequentely they are also not recognised by the Romanian Stud Book. They hence were not allowed to run.
Following administrative discussions, the establishment of the rules, the operation of the starting gates, all peppered with moments high and low, Guillaume finally succeeded in organising two flat races before the trotting meetings on 27 May and 10 June.

The day of the Wathba Stallions Cup was supposed to be a bit of a festive occasion and the forever calm and convincing Guillaume secured the involvement of the Shagya Romania Association, the Trotting Federation, the Shetland Pony association and even the Romanian Jockey Club who all organised one or two races as well.

There were enough horses in Romania to fill the starting gates of the Wathba Stallions Cup, but there were not enough jockeys to ride them. Some foreign jockeys needed to be called in from Bulgaria and the race was also split in two groups. One was for three and four-year-old horses, while the older generation competed in the Wathba Stallions Cup. Who would have thought that the race would become an international event because of a lack of jockeys? In the future, the goal is to create an international event by reining in the other Balkan countries. Hungary has the financial means but not the horses, Bulgaria has the good horses (of which some with French origins), but doesn't have a suitable racecourse, whilst in Romania there is a shortage of jockeys. To attract and form new jockeys is naturally one of the country's priorities.

The meeting was nearly cancelled though as incessant rainfall during the four days before the event had rendered the turf track nearly unraceable, with parts of it disappearing under water. However, the director of the racecourse brought relief and a solution when he proposed to run some of the races on the trotting track (which had softened after the rain).

The beautiful Ploiesti racecourse has a sand track for trotting and a turf track, which had never been used before this meeting.

Stands were filled to the brim for this first international meeting. Lara Sawaya, the director of the HH Sheikh Mansoor Festival, with the author. In front, the two men in blue are Marius Dumitrescu and Sorin Popa, owners of the mare Raja who ran in the Wathba Stallions Cup.

The new Ploiesti racecourse regularly organises trotting meetings. Here it hosted its first Purebred Arabian international meeting.

In the end, the event was such a huge success that visitors had to be turned away. There were that many spectators that the usual 800 ticket sales for a trotting meeting were quickly exhausted. An estimated 2000 people, which had never been seen at Ploiesti, came to the racecourse, filling each and every seat in the stand. Racing had to be delayed by ten minutes in order to get all the people onto the racecourse.

The opening 950 meter race for Shagya horses had attracted five runners. It was won by the fourteen-year-old **Odin** by El Iman out of Mershuch, owned and trained by Ion Maldea, who covered the trip in 1'23"6 min. The runner-up was **Thea**, who has Kohailan origins and who is owned by Shagya Romania. Thea is trained by Mircea Neagy who also trained the next three finishers. They are owned by Viorel Dubija, who runs the Shagya Association or by one of his family members.

The second race was open to three and four-year-old Purebred Arabians and had attracted six runners, all born in Romania and of "Heritage"* origin. Four of them were owned by Statul Roman, which is I believe is the racing arm of the Mangalia National Stud. The race was won by **Hariz**, ridden by Hamil Nurhay, who won the 950 meter race in 1'08"47 min. The three-year-old Hariz is by Hilal Al Haneef out of Yooma. He is owned by Hristo Hristov and trained by Nezirov Levent. Three lengths behind Hariz, **Zuhara** was the runner-up, followed another four lengths behind them by **Zafira**. Runner-up and third placed are both Heritage horses born at Mangalia. I had to the pleasure of

Odin by El Iman out of Mershuch, the winner of the 950 meterrace for Shagya horses. The 14-year-old horse is owned and trained by Ion Maldea.

going to Mangalia two days later for a selection race for young horses where Zuhara by Ibafa out of Irma confirmed her class when she won over 2400 meters!

The highlight of the meeting was obviously the HH Sheikh Mansoor Al Nahyan Global Flat Racing Festival sponsored Wathba Stallions Cup, which was worth five times more than the highly regarded English Thoroughbred race on the card. Seven runners had lined up for the ARAC race, including four that had travelled from Bulgaria. All of them sported a French pedigree (Dormane, Nizam and Nayef Al Khalidiah) and three were born in France, while the son of No Risk Al Maury was born in Bulgaria. The three Romanian contenders all sported Heritage origins, including one horse by Pedagog who was born in Poland.

Unfortunately, the Mangalia National Stud had no older horses in training, undoubtedly because the focus over the last two months had been on the preparation of the younger horses who have to pass an aptitude test at the age of 3 ½.

It was no great surprise then that the four horses with the French pedigree immediately went to the lead of the race. Amongst the Heritage horses, only the Guillaume Fillet bred and trained **Demona** by Pacific out of Desdemona could go with the Arabian racing specialists. The Marius Dumitrescu and Sorin Popa owned **Raja** had to unfortunately be pulled up, while the very beautiful **Equario PL** by Pedagog could not follow the "French" horses, proving once more that to keep the selection process going, it is important to organise races for Heritage horses only in order to preserve the Arabian horses with classic and ancient bloodlines.

Finish of the 3 and 4-y-old Purebred Arabians that was run on the sand track still covered in parts in water. The race was won by the Hristo Hristov owned Hariz by Hilal Al Haneef out of Yooma, who is trained by Nezirov Levent.

The fastest of the four Bulgarian raiders and the eventual winner of the race was **Ameer Al Arab** (FR) by Nizam out of Al Basheq who ran the 1800 meters in 1'58"98. He is owned by Ivan Yardanov (BG), trained by Ahmed Reyhan and was ridden by Valentin Atanasov who has been invited to ride in the final of the HH Sheikha Fatima World Championship for apprentices at Abu Dhabi in November. Amer Al Arab was an easy winner from **Nordika** (BG) by Risk Al Maury who is owned by Yunal Mehmed. Third place went to **Diamand du Pouy** by Dormane out of Kamana, followed by **Eau de Muguet** (FR) by Nayef Al Khalidiah out of Tara Sinuhe.

During the prize-giving ceremony of the Wathba Stallions Cup, Lara Sawaya who was very much aware of the disparity between the Heritage horses and the horses with a French pedigree, also invited the Romanian jockey Octavian Dsandu, the rider of the fastest Romanian Heritage horse to come to Abu Dhabi, not to compete, but to watch. Thank you Lara!

The Wathba Stallions Cup, which took place on 1 July and is the first international Purebred Arabian racing event in the history of Romanian racing, was watched by His Excellency the Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates in Romania, the Vice-Major of the dynamic Ploiesti city, the President of the Romanian Jockey Club and many other officials. Also, on that special occasion, let's remember the 100 years of unification of Romani and the 100 years since the birth of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the founding father of the United Arab Emirates.

This was a historic event highlighted by the HH Sheikh Mansoor Global Festival, the patron of the Wathba Stallions Cup races.

Also, and maybe even more exciting, next year the annual World Arabian Horse Racing Forum with an even more prestigious raceday at Ploiesti is going to take place in Bucharest!

"In order to preserve the original, classic characteristics of the purebred Arabian horse, it has been agreed that a HARC (Heritage Arabian Racing Club) horse is any purebred Arabian registered in any WAHO accepted studbook, but it must not contain the blood of the following stallions in any generation of its pedigree. Stallions excluded are Amer, Baroud III, Burning Sand, Dragon, St Laurent and Tiwaiq".

Ploiesti - Romania - 1st July 2018

The five-year-old Ameer Al Arab, bred by the Haras du Courgeon, who was sold at the 2016 Arqana Arabian sale, was the winner of the Wathba Stallions Cup at Ploiesti.

Below, the prize-giving ceremony of the Wathba Stallions Cup where Lara Sawaya invited Octavian Dsandu (purple jacket and pink cap) the winning jockey of the heritage race, to come and watch the final in Abu Dhabi next November.

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One-two for YAS Horse Racing Management in the Group 2PA race Critérium des pouliches.

Shadwell Day at La Teste

On the 3rd of July, La Teste de Buch racecourse hosted three Purebred Arabian races, sponsored by Shadwell, the stud of Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

The three races included a 1400 meter race for three-year-old maiden, a **Group 2 PA** over 1900 meters for four-year-old fillies and older mares, as well as a **Group 3 PA** for four-year-old and older horses that was also run over 1900 meters.

The nice weather had attracted a lot of spectators to the racecourse who enjoyed a very summery and holiday atmosphere even though the official school holidays had not started yet.

Those who had runners enjoyed a Shadwell sponsored lunch before saddling the first horses for the Shadwell – Prix Bengali d'Albret race, open to three-year-old Purebred Arabian maiden that took off at 3.30pm. Twelve horses had lined up at the start, including eight fillies. Of the twelve runners, seven were making their racecourse debut.

First winner for stallion Runner

Al Ryma Monlau by Runner out of Bidaya (Nez d'Or) crossed the finish line of the 1400 meter race in 1'32"80 min under the inspired ride of Julien Augé. This was a first start for the filly who beat the Gabriel Bon ridden colt **Neef** by General out of Sarahmina (Tornado de Syrah), who was also making his first appearance on the racecourse.
Al Ryma Monlau was bred and owned by Robert Bourdette and is trained by Olivier Trigodet. This is the first winner for sire **Runner** (Tahar de Candelon out of Farida du Bac by Royal de Carrere) in France.

Runner was born in 2004 at the stud of Sheikh Tahnoon bin Zayed Al Nahyan in the UAE. He arrived in France as a two-year-old and stood for the first time in 2013 at the Haras du Domaine de Monlau of Robert and Marie-Ange Bourdette. Runner has two fillies that were bred by the Bourdette couple, **Asalah de Monlau** out of Osaka Domenjoi, born in 2014 and who will be trained for Endurance racing, as well as **Al Ryma Monlau** who was born in 2015.

La Teste / France - 3 July 2018

Al Ryma Monlau, bred by Robert Bourdette who is also her owner, and jockey Julien Augé cross the finish line a short neck before the Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani's colt Neef, ridden by Gabriel Bon. Both were unraced. .

The Bequet racecourse at La Teste-de-Buch organizes almost 130 races a year spread over 16 meetings from March to September. The infrastructure includes 138 boxes of passage, a turf track with a length of 2050 m and 25 m wide for flat racing, a hedge track 1950 m long and 14 m wide with 7 hurdles and a training grass track with a length of 1860 m and 14 m wide. The new grandstand (photos on the left) inaugurated in 2013 have 600 seats, a panoramic restaurant and a reception room. The set is pretty and country.
Below: the henhouse where some poultries are living.

Flat racing

Belqees and Joudh, winner and runner-up of the Group 2PA Criterium des Pouliches. Both are owned by YAS Horse Racing Management.

YAS Horse Racing Management dominate the Group races

A little bit over two hours later it was time for the **Group 2 PA** Shadwell – Criterium des Pouliches that had attracted six four- and five-year-old fillies and mares. These included **Joudh** by Mahabb out of Shamayl (Kesberoy), a dual **Group 1 PA** winner at three (Qatar Coupe de France des Chevaux Arabes and Al Rayyan Cup Prix Kesberoy), as well as **Muneera** by Dormane out of Hamiya (Al Hasim) who had won the **Group 1** 2017 Qatar Arabian Trophy des Juments.

Two other Group PA winners were also lining up at the start: **Almaa** by Amer out of Nyriad (Dormane), who had won three **Group 2 PA** races and **Karabosse de Ghazal** by Munjiz out of Katerina de Ghazal (Dormane), the winner of the **Group 2 PA** Qatar Prix de l'Elevage five weeks earlier.

And victory went to the four-year-old filly **Belqees** by Mahabb out of Aleefa (Kesberoy) who covered the 1900 meters in 2'6"80 min. She beat Joudh by a short neck, offering YAS Horse Racing Management a nice double. At the age of four, the Xavier Thomas Demeaulte trained Belqees who was ridden by Ioritz Mendizabal, recorded her first Group PA race.

The penultimate race of the meeting, the **Group 3 PA** Shadwell – Coupe du Sud-Ouest des pur-sang arabes did not attract a bigger field than the other Group race. Six four-year-old to six-year-old horses, including the six-year-old **Muraaqib** by Munjiz out of Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret)who had won six **Group 1 PA** races, the five-year-old **Khataab** by Amer out of Djelana (Al Sakbe) who had won three Group PA races, including the **Group 1 PA** Doha Cup – Prix Manganate, the five-year-old **Ahzar** by Munjiz out of Frasquitha (Dormane) winner of a **Group 3 PA** race and three time runner-up of **Group 1 PA** races, the five-year-old **Motrag** by Amer out of Digama (Al Sakbe) winner of a **Group 1 PA** race at three and also **Hajres** by Nizam out of Tohfet Ennadhirine (Vent Derdy), recent winner of a **Group 3 PA** went to the start of this race.

The horses ran over a second slower than their female counterparts and it was **Taymour** by Mahabb out of Djezika (Dormane), the horse with the least experience, who won the race by a short neck from the multi champion Muraaqib. This was a second victory for YAS Horse Racing Management. The four-year-old colt is trained by Antoine de Watrigant and was ridden by Roberto-Carlos Montenegro. This was his second victory and first Group PA success.

The three Purebred Arabian races that were run on the 3rd July at the La Teste racecourse are part of the Dubai International Arabian Race Challenge that sports nine prep races in Europe, which all lead to the final on the 29th of July at Newbury. La Teste is the last racecourse to stage a prep race before the final (see results of the other prep races on the next pages).

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Taymour wins the Group 3PA Coupe du Sud-Ouest and gives a second success to YAS Horse Racing Management, the Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan Stable.

Dubai International Arabian Races

Shadwell Prix Bengali d'Albret

1400 m – Total prize-money: € 18 000

For three-years-old colts and fillies maiden.

1. **Al Ryma Monlau** by Runner out of Bidaya (Nez d'Or), c, breeder and owner: Robert Bourdette, trainer: Olivier Trigodet, jockey: Julien Augé
2. **Neef** by General out of Sarahmina (Tornado de Syrah), c, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey: Gabriel Bon, short neck

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3. **Sahmara** by Mared Al Sahra out of Sahlambo (Munjiz), f, breeder and owner: Ecuries Royales d'Oman, trainer: Frédéric Sanchez, jockey: Anthony Crastus, 2L1/2

4. **Wadha Py** bPrado out of Via Hipolyte (Dahess), f, breeder and owner: Pierre-Yves Juillard, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey: Faleh Nasser Bughenaim, 2L
5. **Bellisima de Ghazal** by Munjiz out Brin d'Amour de Gazal (Zippy Al Maury), f, breeder and owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey: Ioritz Mendizabal, 2L1/2

Shadwell – Criterium des Pouliches (Gr.2PA)

1900 m – Total prize-money: € 25 000

For four-year-old and upwards. Fillies and mares only.

1. **Belqees** by Mahabb out of Aleefa (Kesberoy), 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey: Ioritz Mendizabal
2. **Joudh** by Mahabb out of Shamayl (Kesberoy), 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey: Mickael Barzalona, short neck
3. **Karabosse de Ghazal** by Munjiz out of Katerina de Ghazal (Dormane), 4-y-o, breeder: Rose Cambon, owner: Haras de Ghazal Earl Al Pices, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey: A. Gavilan, 1L1/2
4. **Almaa** by Amer out of Nyriad (Dormane), 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey: Julien Augé, 2L
5. **Muneera** by Dormane out of Hamiya (Al Hasim), 5-y-o,breeder: Mohammad Al Nujaifi, owner: Al Nujaifi Racing, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey: Jean-Baptiste Hamel, 4,5L

Shadwell – Coupe du Sud-Ouest des pur-sang arabes (Gr.3PA)

1900 m – Total prize-money: 20 000 €

For four-year-old and upwards

1. **Taymour by** Mahabb out of Djezika (Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey: Roberto-Carlos Montenegro
2. **Muraaqib** by Munjiz out of Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret), h 6-y-o, breeder: Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey: François-Xavier Bertras, short neck
3. **Hajres TUN** by Nizam out of Tohfet Ennadhirine (Vent Dredy), c 4-y-o, breeder: Haras Ahmed Essaied, owner: Emadadein Alhtoushi, trainer: Mme Jean-François Bernard, jockey: Hugo Journiac, 1/2L
4. **Khataab** by Amer out of Djelana (Al Sakbe), h 6-y-o, breeder: Alban de Mieulle, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey: Julien Augé, 2L1/2
5. **Ahzar** by Munjiz out of Frasquitha (Dormane), h 5-y-o, breeder: Earl Haras de Mandore, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey: Ioritz Mendizabal, 4L

Flat racing

Dubai International Arabian Races

A series of nine prep races that take place around Europe and which lead to the final at Newbury on 29 July 2018. On that day, the card boasts 8 races, including three Group 1 PA races and one Group 3 PA. Each trial day offers various races over different distances and is open to different age groups in order to provide a proper selection process for the final:
Roma on 29 April 2018: three races including one Listed PA
Newbury on 14 June 2018: one International race
Chepstow on 15 June 2018: one Handicap race
Stockholm on 18 June 2018: three races including one Group 3PA race
Newbury on 26 June 2018: one International race
La Teste de Buch on 3 July 2018: three races including trois one Group 2PA and one Group 3PA races
Newbury on 5 July 2018: one International race
Duindigt on 8 July 2018: three races including two Listed PA races
Newbury on 12 July 2018: one International race

Results of prep races

Roma – 29/04/18
Premio Taajer at Besnate - 2000 m - Prize-money : 19 800 €
For 4-year-old and upwards fillies and mares
1. **Eiman du Loup FR** (Kerbella ex Ina Scot de Colmar), 4-y-o, owner : Antonio Cottu, trainer : Salvator Basile, jockey : Antonio Fresu
2. **Yenka FR** (Munjiz ex Yesley du Cayrou), 5-y-o, owner : Guidetta Orlando, trainer : Stefano Meattini, jockey : Dario di Tocco, 11 L
3. **Varen by Perla IT** (Logudorese ex Perla Dorada), 4-y-o, owner : Paolo Pierini, trainer : Mario Migheli, jockey : Antonio Fadda, 1/2L

Premio Shadwell Arabian Stallions - 1500 m - Prize-money : 19 800 €
For 3-year-old
1. **Zoe di Gallura IT** (Ulumu ex Elettra de Nulvi), c, owner : Giovanna Picconi, trainer : Endo Botti Galoppo, jockey : Carlo Fiocchi
2. **Winne Taouy FR** (Dahess ex Win Taouy), c, owner : Manuela Daverio, trainer : Endo Botti Galoppo, jockey : Antonio Fresu, 2L1/2
3. **Aline Khal FR** (General ex Oum Khal Toum), f, owner : Manuela Daverio, trainer : Endo Botti Galoppo, jockey : Andrea Fele, 3L1/4

Premio Dubai International Arabian Races (Listed PA)
2000 m – Prize-money : 30 800 €
For 4-year-old and upwards
1. **Ramiz Al Aziz FR** (Akbar ex Win Taouy), h 6-y-o, owner : Manuela Daverio, trainer : Endo Botti Galoppo, jockey : Antonio Fresu
2. **No and No Al Maury FR** (Nizam ex No Doubt Al Maury), c 4-y-o, owner : Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : Damien de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto Carlos Montenegro, short head
3. **Djebel de la Roque FR** (Dahess ex Fanny de Faust), h 5-y-o, owner : Manuela Daverio, trainer : Endo Botti Galoppo, jockey : Andrea Fele, 4L

Newbury – 14/06/18
International Stakes – 1200 m- Prize-money : 5 000 £
For 4-year-old and upwards
1. **Al Chammy FR** (Nizam ex Al Ryme), c 4-y-o, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : Patrick Dobbs

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2. **Anfaas GB** (No Risk Al Maury ex Laqataat), f 4-y-o, owner : Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : Philip Collington, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 5L
3. **Zayin Angkor Centurion GB** (Dahess ex Barryh), h 5-y-o, owner: Zayin Arabian Stud, trainer : Peter Hammersley, jockey : David Turner, neck.

Chepstow – 15/06/18
DIAR Premier Handicap Stakes – 2400 m – Prize-money : 3 000 £
For 4-year-old and upwards - UK domestic horses only
1. **Mehdaaf Athbah GB** (Amer ex Keen Game), h 6-y-o, owner : Athbah Stud, trainer : Philipp Collington, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea
2. **Emiraaty FR** (Al Saoudi ex Horkidee), h 7-y-o, owner : Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : James Owen, jockey : Kieran O'Neill, 1L1/4
3. **Laheeb GB** (Munjiz ex Karte d'Or), h 5-y-o, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : Phil Dennis, 8L

ROYAL CAVALRY OF OMAN FBA

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Stockholm – 18/06/18
DIAR Stockholm Arabian Cup (Gr.3PA) – 1750 m – Prize-money : Kr 200 000
For 4-year-old and upwards
1. **Al Mounteze Monlau FR** (Nashwan Al Khalidiah ex Tadri), h 5-y-o, owner : Camilla Nilsson & SG Galopp AB, trainer : Camilla Nilsson, jockey : Elione Chaves
2. **Burkan Al Khalediah KSA** (Khalid El Biwaibiya ex Rayyan), h 9-y-o, owner : Polska AKF Sp Z.O.O., trainer: Maciej Kacprzyk, jockey : Maikel Narvaez Bravo, 1L1/2

3. **Shadwan Al Khalediah FR** (Nashwan Al Khalidiah ex Quesche du Paon), h 6-y-o, owner : Polska AKF Sp Z.O.O., trainer: Maciej Kacprzyk, jockey : Wiaczeslaw Szymczuk, head

DIAR International Fillies & Mares Turf – 1600 m – Prize-money : Kr 120 000

For 3-year-old and upwards. Fillies and mares.

1. **Al Raha FR** (Majd Al Arab ex Hamiya), 6-y-o, owner : Al Nujaifi Racing Ltd, trainer: Pia Höiom, jockey : Shane Karlsson
2. **Cleopathre FR** (Nizam ex Zenhobie), 4-y-o, owner : Ae Endurance Riding AB, trainer : Camilla Nilsson, jockey : Elione Chaves, 1/2L
3. **Top Medina SE** (Murhib ex Topspeed Kossack), 4-y-o, owner : Stall SweDen, trainer : M. Romanowski, jockey : Per-Anders Graberg, 7L

The UAE Embassy Trophy - 1200 m handicap - Alloc. : Kr 120 000

For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Suhaim FR** (Dormane ex Seceryna), h 12-y-o, owner : Charlotte Goss & Ellen Wulff, trainer : Charlotte Goss, jockey : Josefin Landgren
2. **Wictor SE** (Neiron ex Wilmorin), g 5-y-o, owner : Stall SweDen, trainer : Charlotte Goss, jockey : Carlos Lopez, 1/2L
3. **Maghazi GB** (Chndaka ex Nirva de Cardonne), h 12-y-o, owner and trainer : Julia Presits, jockey : Kajsa Lindsjö, head

Newbury – 26/06/18
International Stakes – 2 000 m – Prize-money : 5 000 £

For 4-year-old and upwards - Fillies and mares

1. **Shomoos Athbah GB** (Burning Sand ex Djanet Monlau), 4-y-o, owner : Athbah Stud, trainer : Ph. Collington, jockey : T. O'Shea
2. **Rehab OM** (Munjiz ex Rhoda du Paon), 4-y-o, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : A. Al Siyabi, 2L1/2

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3. **Anfaas GB** (No Risk Al Maury ex Laqataat), 4-y-o, owner : Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : Philip Collington, jockey : Jim Crowley, 7L

Newbury – 05/07/18
International Stakes – 1400 m – Prize-money : 4 000 £

For 3-year-old colts and fillies

1. **Ensiab FR** (Kerbella ex Parsa), f, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : Ellie Mackenzie

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2. **Hadiyah FR** (Majd Al Arab ex Djoulkia), f, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : A. Al Siyabi, 1L1/4

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3. **Mazyoonah GB** (No Risk Al Maury ex Udjidora de Bozouls), f, owner : Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : James Owen, jockey : Martin Dwyer, 9L

Duindigt – 08/07/18
No Risk Al Maury Stakes – 1800 m – Prize-money : 10 000 €

For 3-year-old and upwards

1. **Fightfeet NL** (Murhib ex Nougatine), h 5-y-o, owner and trainer : Dianne A.K. Dörenberg, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel
2. **Eqleem FR** (Al Saoudi ex Magie de Faust), g 5-y-o, owner : Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : James Owen, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 1L
3. **Ziggy D.A. BEL** (AF Albahar ex Froda D.A.), h 5-y-o, owner et trainer : Johan Verstrepen, jockey : Jurico Bogaerts, head

Shadwell Arabian Stallions Stakes (Listed PA) – 1300 m – Prize-money : 20 000 €

For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Hind FR** (Mahabb ex Gliptika), f 4-y-o, owner : YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer : David Morisson, jockey : Jimmy Martin
2. **Storm Troupour US** (Nivour de Cardonne ex ES Ornetta), g 7-y-o, owner : O. Mohammed Aashour, trainer : Beverly Deutrom, jockey : David Turner, 2L
3. **Alazeez GB** (Madjani ex Zormania), g 5-y-o, owner : Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer : James Owen, jockey : Antonia Peck, 3L

Dubai International Arabian Races Stakes (Listed PA)
2 000 m – Prize-money : 26 500 €

For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Lightning Bolt FR** (Munjiz ex Oleya du Loup), h 6-y-o, owner : Landgoed Waterland, trainer : Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel
2. **Shadda'ad FR** (Munjiz ex Fazah), c 4-y-o, owner : YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer : Philippe Sogorb, jockey : Jimmy Martin, 1L
3. **Jaldi Karo GB** (Jehol de Cardonne ex Merwah), g 7-y-o, owner and trainer : Maria Hagman-Eriksson, jockey : Anna Pilroth, 2L1/2

Newbury – 12/07/18
International Stakes – 2000 m – Prize-money : 5 000 £

For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Sharesa QA** (Burning Sand ex Margouia), m, 5-y-o, owner : Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer : Philip Collington, jockey: Tadhg O'Shea
2. **Ishfaq QA** (Asraa Min Albarq ex Djazie), h 5-y-o, owner : Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer : Philip Collington, jockey: Sam Hitchcott, 2L
3. **Laheeb GB** (Munjiz ex Karte d'Or), h 5-y-o, owner : Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer : Said Al Badi, jockey : Anas Al Siyabi, 6L

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Emirates Premier Handicap Stakes
1600 m – Total prize-money 12 000 £
For 4-y-o and upwards, rating 50-90
1. **Taqdeeraat** (Mahabb ex Maiziane), f 5-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Harry Bentley
2. **Rafeef FR** (No Risk Al Maury ex Maiziane), f 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: James Owen, jockey : Martin Dwyer, nose
3. **Anfaas** (No Risk Al Maury ex Laqataat), f 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 4L
4. **Al Kaaser FR** (Munjiz ex Horkidee), c 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: James Owen, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 4L1/2
5. **Pharitz Fahr** (Munjiz ex Laila), c 4-y-o, owner and trainer: Beverley Deutrom, jockey : Dayversson de Barros, 2L

UAE Embassy in London International Stakes
2000 m – Total prize-money 10 000 £
For 3-y-o and upwards
1. **No and No Al Maury FR** (Nizam ex No Doubt Al Maury), c 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Damien de Watrigant, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras

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2. **Emiraaty FR** (Al Saoudi ex Horkidee), g 7-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: James Owen, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 10L
3. **Laheeb** (Munjiz ex Karte d'Or), 5-y-o, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Said Al Badi, jockey : Anas Al Siyabi, 4L1/2
4. **Ezzahra du Breuil FR** (Munjiz ex Jamaa du Breuil), f 4-y-o, owner: Wiljan Poels, trainer: G. Th. Zoetelief, jockey : Pat Cosgrave, Short Head
5. **Eqleem FR** (Al Saoudi ex Magie de Faust), g 5-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: James Owen, jockey : Martin Dwyer, 23L

DIAR International Stakes (Gr.3PA)
1400 m – Total prize-money 25 000 £
For 3-y-o
1. **Tahirwah FR** (Amer ex Kerim), c, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Said Al Badi, jockey : Olivier Peslier

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2. **Zoe di Gallura IT** (Ullumu ex Elettra de Nulvi), owner: Giovanna Picconi, trainer: Endo Botti, jockey : Carlo Fiocchi, nose
3. **Hadiyah FR** (Majd Al Arab ex Djoulkia), f, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Said Al Badi, jockey : Anas Al Siyabi, 3L3/4
4. **Ensiab FR** (Kerbella ex Parsa), f, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Said Al Badi, jockey : Ellie Mackenzie, 2L1/4
5. **Ameed**, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: James Owen, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 11L

Jebel Ali Racecourse Za'abeel International Stakes (Gr.1PA)
1200 m – Total prize-money 35 000 £
For 4-y-o and upwards
1. **Al Chammy FR** (Nizam ex Al Ryme), c 4-y-o, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Said Al Badi, jockey : Olivier Peslier

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2. **Ahzar FR** (Munjiz ex Frasquitha), h 5-y-o, owner: Jean-Marc de Watrigant, trainer: Xavier de Watrigant, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, 3/4L
3. **Kao Kat MHF US** (Kaolino ex Here Kitty Kitty), h 9-y-o, owner: Pharitz Arabians, trainer: Beverley Deutrom, 1 L3/4

4. **Mith'haf Athbah** (Amer ex Karouj), h 6-y-o, owner: Athbah Stud, trainer: Philip Collington, short neck
5. **Lwsail FR** (Amer ex Kerra), h 5-y-o, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé.

Shadwell Arabian Stallions Hatta International Stakes (Gr.1PA)

2000 m – Total prize-money 35 000 £

For 4-y-o and upwards - Fillies and mares only

1. **Joudh FR** (Mahabb ex Shamayl), 4-y-o, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Olivier Peslier
2. **Sharesa QA** (Burning Sand ex Margouia), 5-y-o, owner: Sheikh Khalifa bin Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Harry Bentley
3. **Eiman du Loup FR** (Kerbella ex Ina Scot de Colmar), 4-y-o, owner: Razza de Pine, trainer: Endo Botti, jockey : Antonio Fresu
4. **Almaa FR** (Amer ex Nyriad), 5-y-o, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé
5. **Jamas D.A. BEL** (AF Albahar ex Toyah D.A.), 5-y-o, owner and trainer: Peter Deckers, jockey : Anna Van Den Troost

Shadwell Dubai International Stakes (Gr.1PA)

2000 m – Total prize-money 58 000 £

For 4-y-o and upwards

1. **Nafees FR** (Azadi ex Vivamaria), h 5-y-o, owner: Royal Cavalry of Oman, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Olivier Peslier

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2. **Al Mouwaffak FR** (Azadi ex Morgane de Piboul), h 7-y-o, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, 1L1/2
3. **Mehdaaf Athbah** (Amer ex Keen Game), h 6-y-o, owner: Athbah Stud, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 4L
4. **Reda QA** (Burning Sand ex Ba'scherit), h 6-y-o, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Julian Smart, jockey : Théo Bachelot, 12L
5. **Ishfaq QA** (Asraa Min Al Barq ex Djazie), h 5-y-o, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Harry Bentley, nose

Rotana Hotels and Resorts Premier Handicap Stakes

2400 m – Total prize-money 10 000 £

For 4-y-o and upwards, rating 0-105

1. **Saleemah** (Madjani ex Laqataat), 5-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Sam Hitchcott
2. **Halib des Forges FR** (Mahabb ex Djosera des Forges), g 6-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras, short head
3. **Munawwar FR** (Madjani ex Al Marwa), h 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Aaron Jones, 3L3/4
4. **Lou Raynal FR** (Kerbella ex Doriane du Clement), h 4-y-o, owner: Pharitz Arabians, trainer: Beverley Deutrom, jockey : Dayversson De Barros, 6L
5. **Al Monther**, 4-y-o, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: Philip Collington, jockey : Harry Bentley, 1L

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Emirates NBD Handicap Stakes

1400 m – Total prize-money 8 000£

For 4-y-o and upwards, rating 40-75.

1. **Mersal** (Munjiz ex Even Keener), 5-y-o, owner: Pharitz Arabians, trainer: Beverleey Deutrom, jockey : D. Turner
2. **Paramer Angel** (Parador ex Angel Picamer), 7-y-o, owner and trainer: D. Thomas, jockey : Charlie Jordan Price
3. **Zayin Zamurai** (Eau Royal ex Jumah), 9-y-o, owner: Nicola Buchan & Sarah Innes, trainer: A. S. Newey, jockey : James W. Harding
4. **Bin Al Reeh**, 4-y-o, owner: Sheikha Maryam bint M. Al Maktoum, trainer: P.J. Hammersley, jockey : Ellie Mackenzie
5. **Karlos du Cayrou FR** (Munjiz ex Karla du Cayrou), h 6-y-o, owner: James Owen Racing Club, trainer: James Owen, jockey : Joanna Mason

The start of the race, with a first pass in front of the stands.

Ostend

"Sea, sun and rain" for the fifth leg of the 2018 The UAE President Cup series

After Cairo, Longchamp, Duindigt and Milano, the fifth leg of the 2018 The UAE President Cup series took place at the Ostend racecourse.

After a scorching week at the North Sea, temperatures had come down again on this Monday, 30 July and the meeting, which started with one of the three trotting races at 4pm, could be enjoyed thanks to a lovely sea breeze.

At 5.45, when the nine runners of the President Cup came into the paddock, the weather changed with the arrival of the first raindrops. And then it absolutely bucketed down. Within minutes, horses, trainers, jockeys and the guests in the paddock, including the ambassadors, were drenched and everyone retreated quickly into the tents, while the horses returned to the stables.

After a delay of 15 minutes, the meeting resumed and everyone came back into the paddock. The start of the race was given at 6.15pm and although there was some worry that the rain might have made the track slippery, it was not the case and the race went off without incidents.

The race produced a great battle between **Aoun** by Mahabb out of Shumoos (Djouras Tu), ridden by Roberto-Carlos Montenegro, and **Dynamites** by Nashwan Al Khalediah out of Oleya du Loup (Kerbella), ridden by Jean-Baptiste Hamel. In the end, Aoun defeated Dynamites by a neck.

The Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan bred Aoun was sporting the colours of YAS Horse Racing Management and is trained by Antoine de Watrigant. This was his third victory and second Group 3 PA success.

Une lutte serrée s'est engagée entre Aoun et Dynamites.

As to Dynamites who had begun his 2018 season with two victories on the ice at St Moritz and who has since been placed second and third, he will according to his trainer Karin Van Den Bos *"take a little time out before attacking the big races in the autumn".*

This Belgian leg of The UAE President Cup was a proper international event thanks to runners from France, Holland, Sweden, Poland and naturally Belgium. Racing in Belgium benefits without doubt from the enthusiasm and energy of Nelly Philippot, the President of the Arabian Horse Racing Club of Belgium.

Note that in this race, direct descendants (sons and daughters) of Amer and Tiwaiq were not allowed to run, but apart from the winner, the other runners were all descendants in the second generation of these two stallions.

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Translated in English by Liz Price.

President of the UAE Cup (Gr.3PA)
1600 m – Total prize-money: € 30 000
Race time: 1'55"46
For four-year-old and upwards

1. **Aoun FR** (Mahabb ex Shumoos by Djouras Tu), c 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey : Roberto-Carlos Montenegro
2. **Dynamites FR** (Nashwan Al Khalediah ex Oleya du Loup by Kerbella), c 4-y-o, breeder: Karin Van Den Bos, owner: Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Jean-Baptiste Hamel, neck
3. **Al Mounteze Monlau FR** (Nashwan Al Khalediah ex Tadri by Saklawi Jadrane), h 5-y-o, breeder: Robert Bourdette & Succ. Jean-François Bernard, owner and trainer: Camilla Nilsson, jockey : Elione Chavez, 6L
4. **Shadwan Al Khalediah FR** (Nashwan Al Khalediah ex Quesche du Paon by Akbar), h 6-y-o, breeder: Prince Khalid bin Sultan Al Saud, owner: Polska AKF, trainer: Maci Kacprzyk, jockey : Wia Szymczuk, 1L
5. **Lightfeet HOL** (Murhib ex Nougatine by Nougatin), h 5-y-o, breeder: A. Nabben, owner and trainer: Diana Dorenberg, jockey : Tadhg O'Shea, 3L1/2

Fixture list and winners of The UAE President Cup Series 2018 races.

14/04/2018 – **Cairo** – Egypt
13/05/2018 – **ParisLongchamp** – France – 2000 m – Gr.1PA – Winner: **Shahm** (Mahabb ex Haboob by Akbar), h 5-y-o. Breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: X. Thomas Demeaulte
24/06/2018 – **Duindight** – Holland – 2150 m - Winner: **Lightning Bolt FR** (Munjiz ex Oleya du Loup by Kerbella), h 6-y-o. Breeder, owner and trainer: Karin Van Den Bos
01/07/2018 – **Milano** – Italia – 2000 m – Listed PA - Winner: **Fazza Al Khalediah FR** (Jalnar Al Khalidiah ex Assma Al Khalediah by Amer), c 4-y-o. Breeder: Al Khalediah Stables, owner: Polska AKF.
30/07/2018 – **Ostend** – Belgium – 1600 m – Gr. 3PA
26/08/2018 – **Moscow** – Russia
15/09/2018 – **Doncaster** – England
29/09/2018 – **Churchill Down** – USA
18/11/2018 – **Casablanca** – Morocco
06/12/2018 – **Riyadh** – Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Faisal Al Rahmani, General manager of the UAE President Cup Series and chairman of IFAHR, with H.E. Mohamed Eissa Bu Shihab Al Suweidi, UAE Ambassador in Belgium.

The UAE delegation with its guests.

Best laid plan works for Muraaqib

The Qatar International Stakes are without doubt England's most important Group 1 race for Purebred Arabians. Run on the demanding track of Goodwood on the same day as the Group 1 Sussex Stakes for thoroughbreds, it attracts the best Arabian milers.

This year, the focus was on the Julian Smart trained **Ebraz** by Amer out of Massamarie, who had won the HH Emir's Sword from **Tayf**, as well as the six-year-old **Muraaqib**, who had won six Group 1 PA races. Trained by François Rohaut, he was wearing blinkers for the first time and what a difference that made. Ridden by Jim Crowley, the son of Munjiz and Tashreefat got himself a nice position behind the duo of the Pharitz Arabians owned horses who were setting the pace.

In fact, **Aaley Al Magam** had been expected to set the pace for Ebraz, but he missed the break and found himself at the back of the field. Travelling all closely together it looked for a short while that Muraaqib would not get the split, but once it did open up, he produced a fabulous turn of foot to beat Ebraz by a length and a half.

The Karen Van den Bos trained **Lightning Bolt** by Munjiz out of Oleya du Loup finished a further two lengths back in third, followed by last year's winner Tayf by Amer out of Djelmila.

The winning trainer François Rohaut was very emotional when he said: *"He is the best Arabian I have ever trained. I always knew that the blinkers would make a difference and I have kept them for these last two races, as he is certainly a horse who will finish his career this year. Last year I ran him at Newbury, but he showed he doesn't stay and so I said to Sheikh Hamdan that I wanted to come here."* He laughs and ads: *"So I needed to win today. I don't think he'll go to Longchamp because he is better over the mile, unless Sheikh Hamdan wants to run him there. He will go back to Abu Dhabi in November."*

And Sheikh Hamdan's jockey Jim Crowley added: *"It was the first time I sat on him since he won in Abu Dhabi in November. The blinkers really made a big difference today. I was always going easy and just waited for the gap to appear and when it did, he won well."*

As to the beaten Ebraz, his trainer Julian Smart said: *"He has run a good race. Muraaqib is probably the best miler in Europe. We are second again and it's disappointing, but I can't complain in a race like that, but it would be nice to win it."*

Text by Liz Price, photos by Juhaim / QREC

Qatar International Stakes (Gr.1PA)

1600 m – Total prize-money: 400 000 £

For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Muraaqib FR** by Munjiz out ot Tashreefat (Bengali d'Albret), h 6y-o, breeder: Shadwell France Snc, owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Jim Crowley
2. **Ebraz** by Amer out of Massamarie (Tidjani), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Julian Smart, jockey : Théo Bachelot, 1,5L
3. **Lightning Bolt FR** by Munjiz out of Oleya du Loup (Kerbella), h 6-y-o, breeder: Karin Van Den Bos, owner: Landgoed Waterland, trainer: Karin Van Den Bos, jockey : Adrie de Vries, 2L
4. **Tayf FR** by Amer out of Djelmila (Manganate), h 6-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier, 6L
5. **Ateej USA** by AF Albahar out of Sahara Croixnoire (Ala Croixnoire), h 5-y-o, breeder: Al Shaqab Racing, owner: Mohamed Fahad AH Al Attiyah, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : Christophe Soumillon, 1,25L

Previous winners of Groupe 1PA Qatar Goodwood International Stakes

2015 – **Sir Bani Yas FR** by Amer out of Nassem El Baher (Elios de Carrere), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, trainer: Suc. Jean-François Bernard, jockey : Jean-Bernard Eyquem

2016 – **Al Mourtajez FR**by Dahess out of Arwa (Nuits St Georges), h 6-y-o, breeders: Hassan Mousli, Nadja Mousalli, Faiz Al Elweet, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé

2017 – **Tayf FR** by Amer out of Djelmila (Manganate), h 5-y-o, breeder and owner: Sh. Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Alban de Mieulle, jockey : Olivier Peslier

Muraaqib FR

Born on 20 May 2012
Breeder: Shadwell France Snc
Owner: Sh. Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum
Trainer: François Rohaut

13 starts, 10 wins, 3 places

At 3-y-o:

1st Prix Norniz, Toulouse
2nd Qatar Coupe de France des Chevaux Arabes **(Gr.1PA)**, Chantilly
1st Al Rayyan Cup – Prix Kesberoy **(Gr.1PA)**, Deauville
1st Qatar Arabian Trophy des Poulains **(Gr.1PA)**, Saint-Cloud

At 4-y-o:

1st Prix de Carthage-Hannibal – HH Sh. Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan **(Gr.2PA)**, Toulouse
1st Shadwell Dubai International Stakes **(Gr.1PA)**, Newbury

At 5-y-o:

1st The President of the UAE Cup – Coupe d'Europe des Chevaux Arabes **(Gr.1PA)**, Deauville
4th Shadwell Dubai International Stakes **(Gr.1PA)**, Newbury
1st International Malazgirt Trophy **(Gr.1PA)**, Istanbul
1st Sh. Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan Jewel Crown **(Gr.1PA)**, Abu Dhabi

At 6-y-o:

1st Prix Damas **(Gr.3PA)**, Bordeaux Le Bouscat
2nd Shadwell - Coupe du Sud-Ouest des pur-sang arabes **(Gr.3PA)**, La Teste
1st Qatar International Stakes **(Gr.1PA)**, Goodwood

Deauville

The dawn of the sons of...

On 11 August, a new generation took over in the two Group 1 PA races at the Deauville racecourse. A son of the mare Al Dahma and a son of the stallion Jaafer ASF, two champions of multiple Group 1 PA races, both descendants of the stallion Amer and whose dams are daughters of Manganate.

Marid, the first product of Al Dahma to win a Group 1 PA

There were only five runners in the 2000 metre Group 1 PA Al Rayyan Cup-Prix Kesberoy for three-year-olds, even though this race is the final event at this level for young horses before the Qatar Arabian Trophy des poulains and the Qatar Arabian Trophy des pouliches, which will take place on 5 October at Saint-Cloud. Three of the five runners had already met before in the Group 1 PA Qatar Coupe de France des Chevaux Arabes. Their placings had been as follows: **Deryan** had won the race from **Fettah du Loup**, while **Marid** had finished third. Three weeks earlier, the two other runners in the race, **Badi Al Cham** and **Mashael**, had respectively finished third in the **Group 3 PA** Prix Tidjani at La Teste and second in the Prix Dunixi at Mont-de-Marsan.

Rajeh, who had galloped towards the back of the field, suddenly produced a fabulous turn of foot on the outside to win the race.

Marid did not want to enter the stalls until he was fitted with a bonnet and finally the doors could be opened. As expected, they followed each other Indian style: Mashael, Marid, BAdi Al Cham, Deryan and Fettah du Loup. There was not a lot of pace until they came into the final straight when Marid went into the lead. Deryan and Fettah du Loup tried to attack him on the outside, but he had flown and they had to content themselves with second and third place.

On his third start, Marid by TM Fred Texas out of Al Dahma (Amer) became the first son of the champion mare to succeed at Group 1 PA level. The colt was bred by the Haras du Grand Courgeon, owned by Alban and Patricia de Mieulle, home of the Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani owned mare. Marid is trained by Antoine de Watrigant and it was Olivier Peslier who guided him to victory.

Note that Al Dahma's first product **Yazzed** by Munjiz, who is now five years old, has also won four races, including the **Group 2 PA** Qatar Derby. He has also been placed five times in nine starts. He was the runner-up of the **Group 1 PA** Qatar Cup-Prix Dragon, the Qatar Arabian World Cup, the Qatar Gold Sword and he finished third in the Emir's Sword.

Al Rayyan-Prix Kesberoy (Gr.1PA)
2000 m – Total prize-money: 50 000 €
For 3-year-olds

1. **Marid** by TM Fred Texas out of Al Dahma (Amer), c, breeder and owner: Sheikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey: Olivier Peslier

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2. **Deryan** by Mahabb out of Haboob (Akbar), c, breeder: Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Didier Guillemin, jockey : Alexandre Gavilan, neck
3. **Fettah du Loup** by Kerbella out of Paida du Loup (Dormane), c, breeder: M. Dupont, owner: Khalid Khasruzzaman, trainer: Mrs. J.F. Bernard, jockey : Mickael Barzalona, 3/4L
4. **Mashael** by Seraphin du Paon out of Al Fajer (Dormane), f, breeder: Al Asayl Racing, owner: Ali Hamad Al Attiya, trainer: Elias Mikhalides, jockey : Clément Cadel, short head
5. **Badi Al Cham** by Azadi out of Al Mazina (Dormane), c, breeders: Hassan Mousli, Nada Mousalli, Faiz Al Elweet, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Julien Augé, nose

On his third start, Marid became the first son of the champion mare Al Dahma to succeed at Group 1 PA level.

Rajef is all black type

In the second **Group 1 PA** race of the day, the 2000 metre Doha Cup – Prix Mangante, open to four-year-old and older horses, there were a few more runners at the start. They were eight, including **Khataab**, the title holder, as well as **Shahm**, **Group 1 PA** President of the UAE Cup winner in May at ParisLongchamp, **Roddess du Loup** who had lifted the **Group 1 PA** Qatar Derby des pur-sang arabes de 4 ans at Chantilly in June, as well as **Taymour**, the winner of the **Group 3 PA** Shadwell-Coupe du Sud-Ouest at La Teste in July. **Rajeh**, the winner of the 2017 Qatar Arabian Trophy des poulains, who had also been placed twice since the start of the season, **Hajres**, winner of the **Group 3 PA** Prix Dormane at La Teste and **Al Walid**, the winner of the **Group 2 PA** Prix de Carthage-Hannibal at Toulouse were also lining up at the start. As to **Motrag**, who had been placed once in three starts this season, he was the pacemaker for his stable companions Al Walid and Khataab. And he did a good job as he led them out of the final bend, followed by Hajres and Rodess du Loup, while his two stable companions were patiently galloping in mid-field. In the straight, Rodess du Loup went to the lead, followed closely by Taymour on the inside, but Rajeh, who had galloped towards the back of the field, suddenly produced a fabulous turn of foot on the outside to win the race by three quarters of a length from Rodess du Loup. Taymour came third, followed a neck behind by Khataab.

Rajeh was bred at the Al Shahania France stud des Cruchettes and as a Group 1 PA winner bolsters the potential of his sire. RAjeh was sporting the colours of Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani and is trained by François Rohaut. He was ridden by François-Xavier Bertras.

Text and photos Noëlle Derré
Translated in English by Liz Price

Doha Cup-Prix Manganate (Gr.1PA)
2000 m – Total prize-money: 50 000 €
For 4-year-old and upwards

1. **Rajeh** by Jaafer ASF out of Nelka (Tidjani), c 4-y-o, breeder: Al Shahania Stud, owner: Sh. Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Thani, trainer: François Rohaut, jockey : François-Xavier Bertras
2. **Rodess du Loup** by Dahess out of Aurore du Loup (Darike), c 4-y-o, breeder: Jean-Marc Saphores, owner: Khalifa Hamad Al Attiyah, trainer: Charles Gourdain, jockey : Christophe Soumillon, 3/4L
3. **Taymour** by Mahabb out of Djezika (Dormane), c 4-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Antoine de Watrigant, jockey : Maxime Guyon, 3/4L
4. **Khataab** by Amer out of Djelana (Al Sakbe), h 6-y-o, breeder: Alban de Mieulle, owner: Al Shaqab Racing, trainer: Thomas Fourcy, jockey : Jérôme Cabre, neck
5. **Shahm** by Mahabb out of Haboob (Akbar), h 5-y-o, breeder: Sh. Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan, owner: YAS Horse Racing Management, trainer: Xavier Thomas Demeaulte, jockey : Mickael Barzalona, short neck

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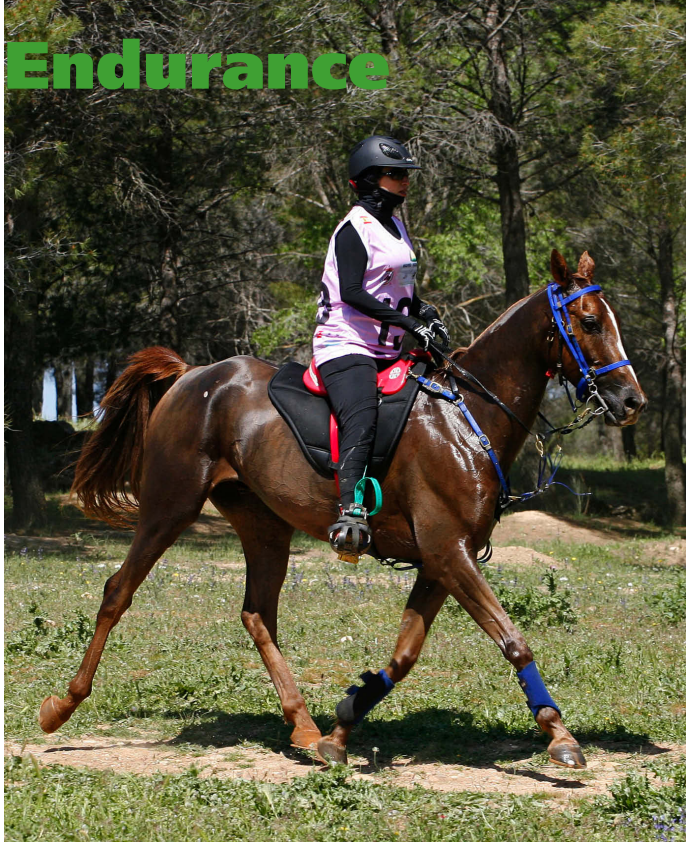
Angel Soy lifts the « Sheikh Zayed 100 Miles Cup »



*Alyazia Al Romaithi triumphs in the Ladies CEIO2***

Angel Soy, Alyazia Al Romaithi, Naiara Fernandez, Rocio Diaz and Alex Luque won the international races of the 2018 Madrid International Endurance Challenge, which are part of the "Sheikh Mansoor bin Zyaed Al Nahyan Festival 2018".

Races of the Madrid International Endurance Challenge, which are like the Brussel, Lisbon, Fontainebleau, Sardinia and Abu Dhabi events part of the Sheikh Mansoor bin Zayed Al Nahyan Festival 2018, took place between the 4th and 6th of May at Camarma de Estruelas, close to Madrid. 117 pairs took part in the event.

The most important international races were the CEI3*** Sheikh Zayed 100 Miles Cup and the CEIO2** Sheikha Fatima Bint Mubarak Ladies Cup, which were both run on Saturday, 5th May, while the CEIYJ2** Spanish Championship for Junior riders and Young riders was run on Sunday, 6th May.

The CEI3** Sheikh Zayed 100 Miles Cup was run over six phases and had attracted nine riders who started the race with the first sunlight at 6am. Already in phase one, Angel Soy on **Warren-Hill-Chayze** and Paula Muntala on **Al-Hfifa-Zafira**, both of the Juma Team, took the lead, which they never relinquished to finish respectively first and second. Forty minutes later, Louna Schuiten on **Divine-d'Aranguren** finished third, followed five minutes later by Peter Bastijns on **Shetan-Al-Ondrel-Ewalraid**.

12 riders had lined up for the four phases of the CEIO2** Sheikha Fatima Bint Mubarak Ladies Cup. From the start they were eight to dispute the lead, including four Spanish riders and four Emiratis. The other competitors, two Americans and two Emiratis, just competed for a ranking. One Spanish rider was eliminated at the first vetgate, an Emirati at the second and another Spanish rider was eliminated at the third vetgate. So the lead was reduced to three riders in the final phase. Asma Janahi on **Oregon** left first, followed eight seconds later by Agda Muixi on **Before-De-Bordenave** and a minute and a half later by Alyazia Al Romaithi on **Holoutaria**. Towards the end, Janahi and Oregon could no longer sustain the average speed of 30 km/h and following a seemingly never-ending sprint, Alyazia Al Romaithi on Holoutaria had their neck out in front from Agda Muixi on Before-de-Bordenave. 7 minutes later, Asma Janahi on Oregon finished third.

Over the same course and with a 15 minute delayed departure, nineteen riders competed for a victory in the CEI2**. As they immediately set off at a strong pace, only seven eventually obtained a ranking. In the last phase, Rocio Diaz on **Cuper** were the strongest to finish first with a minute to spare over Omar Blanco on **Tonik-de-Becherel**. Three minutes later, Javier Garcia on **Tuno** finished third. Alex Luque on **Mabgaland-S** dominated the CEI1* from start to finish, followed by Alejandro Fernandez on **Pitagoras-de-Belene** and Angela Blanco on **Django-El-Alisal**.

*Rocio Diaz and Cuper, the winners of the CEI2**. They were nineteen pairs to start and only seven couples were ranked.*

Alex Luque and Mabgaland-S dominated the CEI1 from start to finish.*

Paula Muntala Sanchez and Angel Soy Coll, second and first of the Sheikh Zayed 100 Miles Cup.

Sheikh Zayed 100 Miles Cup – CEI* - 160km**
Rank, Rider/Horse, average speed, total riding time
1. Angel Soy Coll ES/Warrens Hill Chayze, 17,487, 09 :08 :58
2. Paula Muntala Sanchez ES/Al Hfifa Zafira, 14,487, 09:08:59
3. Louna Schuiten BEL/Divine d'Aranguren, 16,371, 09:46:24
4. Peter Bastijns BEL/Shetan Al Ondrel Ewalraid, 16,213, 09:52:08

Sheikha Fatima Bint Mubarak Ladies Cup – CEIO Ladies – 120km**
Rank, Rider/Horse, average speed, total riding time
1. Alyazia Khalid Khalifa Al Romaithi UAE/Holoutaria, 21,222, 05:39:16
2. Agda Muixi Crusellas SP/Before de Bordenave, 21,220, 05:39:18
3. Asma Mohd Ahmed Janahi UAE/Oregon, 20,771, 05:46:38
4. Carlota Cruz Villegas SP/Zeus FKT 25, 19,094, 06:17:05
5. Alia Ahmad Mohd Al Saboori UAE/Maur Perejil, 16,614, 07:13:22
6. Khadeejah Sani USA/Dinamic de Graells, 16,017,07:29:31
7. Shathra Ahmed Murad Al Hajjaj UAE/Negriza Del Falot, 15,911, 07:32:31
8. **Nesreen Khasro Ali Khalid UAE/Ciro DE**, 15,910, 07:32:31
9. Hafsah Sani USA/Jana G, 15,049, 07:58:27

CEI - 120km**
Rank, Rider/Horse, average speed, total riding time
1. Rocio Diaz Corton SP/Cuper 29.27, 21,66, 05:32:56
2. Omar Blanco Rodrigo SP/Tonik de Becherel, 21,579, 05:33:39
3. Javier Garcia Cuervo SP/Tuno, 21,396, 05:36:31
4. Ali Mohammed Al Rumaithi UAE/Om de Masferrer, 19,946, 06:00:59
5. Francisco Castejon Riber SP/Ohio, 19,923, 06:01:24
6. Amaya Suarez Prieto SP/Churruca, 18,772, 06:23:33
7. Pedro Pons Morente SP/Isobaa Del Pou Nou, 17,210, 06:58:21

CEI* - 80km
Rank, Rider/Horse, average speed, total riding time
1. Alex Luque Moral SP/Mangaland S, 21,563, 03:42:36
2. Alejandro Fernandez Martinez SP/Pitagoras de Belene 90.41, 21,562, 03:42:37
3. Angela Blanco Martinez SP/Django El Alisa, 20,266, 03:56:51
4. Pilar Fernandez Lopez SP/Sire de Secadura, 19,847, 04:01:51
5. Guillermo Gonzalez Toraño SP/Spiderman, 18,652, 04:17:21
6. Felix Lorente Permuy SP/Bayda T.S., 18,650, 04:17:22
7. Natalia Veronica Escasso ARG/Antares AP, 18,319, 04:22:01
8. Subhi Khalil Jawarsheh JOR/Setan, 17,948, 07:27:26
9. Maite Melgosa Minguez JOR/Harrison, 17,947, 04:27:27
10. Julia Garcia Guerra SP/Ykiwa de Box, 17,696, 04:31:15
11. Ana Jaio Oar SP/Nasirah bint Persicko, 17,544, 04:33:36
12. Erlantz Larrazabal Calzada SP/Mar-Kair, 17,423, 04:35:30
13. Joaquin Coloma Gracia SP/Hammad, 17,422, 04:35:31
14. Florentino Pereira Suarez SP/ZE Pequena, 16,918, 04:43:43
15. Francisco Luque SP/Luna Dos Torres, 16,917, 04:43:44
16. Andrea Vilches Alcantarilla SP/Salamanca 42.4, 16,540, 04:50:12
17. Abel Santana Pastor SP/Amin Al Zaraq, 16,475, 04:51:21
18. Desire Sevillano Garibo SP/Nabila, 16,474, 04:51:22
19. Jesus Garcia Duro SP/Patri Peu, 14,977, 05:20:30
20. Alejandro Conradi Montero SP/Anwar Manak, 14,840, 05:23:27
21. Juan David Gaciño Santos SP/Gran-Xeiro, 13,908, 05:45:08
22. Carlos Serans Gonzalez SP/Dayfa, 13,906, 05:45:10

*Leading group in the third phase of the CEIYJ2** of the 2018 Spanish Championship for Juniors and Young riders.*

Naiara Fernández, Spanish Junior champion and Estambul.

On Sunday morning, 32 riders went to the start of the CEIYJ2** Spanish Championship for Junior riders and Young riders. Eleven went to the lead, which dwindled down to nine in the second phase and seven in the third phase. At the third vetgate, two pairs were eliminated trotting. In the final phase Naiara Fernandes on **Estambul** took the advantage, quickly joined by Martina Codina on **CS-Rogelia**. They sprinted to the finish which was won by Fernandez. One minute later, Luis Carlos Alonso on **Tajibo-Alc** took third place, while the team event was won by the Catalonian team, followed by Madrid and Andalusia.

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Spanish Championship for young riders – CEIYJ - 120km**

Rank, Rider/Horse, average speed, total riding time

1. Naiara Fernandez Castaño/Estambul, 21,615, 05:33:06
2. Martina Codina Sala Planell/CS Rogelia, 21,614, 05:33:07
3. Luis Carlos Alonso Calero/Tajibo ALC, 21,521, 05:34:33
4. Anne de Otalora Salcines/Zapatero de Sena, 20,665, 05:45:25
5. Diego Senent Balanza/Natur Gavell, 19,848, 06:02:45
6. Maria Carmen Sempere Reyes/Anwar Jabato, 19,599, 06:07:22
7. Julia Serrabassa Batalla/Danok S. Elguea, 18,759, 06:23:49
8. Lucas Vidal Ramirez/Elnath, 17,737, 06:45:56
9. Emma Sole Maia/Llinaria, 17,202, 06:58:34
10. Maria Peña Barquero/Zico-Mo, 17,122, 07:00:31
11. Carmen Perez Rueda/Meriam 66.55, 17,089, 07:01:19
12. Marina Mata Vegas/Gar Intx, 17,089, 07:01:20
13. Jose Manuel Toscano Abreu/Kira PJ, 16,666, 07:12:01
14. Maria Luque Mateo/Bint Ben-Nar, 15,611, 07:41:13

*Team podium of the CEIYJ2** Spanish championship for Junior riders and Young riders: Madrid (Silver), Catalonia (Gold), Andalusia (Bronze).*

The Prestige Cup Endurance de Chantilly, a first in France.

Alex Luque and Abha Quely during the first loop.

On the 8 July 2018, in nearly unbearable heat, 78 riders from 15 nations went to the start of the 126 km race that started at the Chantilly Polo Club and was run over four phases.

Many seven and eight-year-old horses had come here to qualify in the final leg of the Prestige Cup that had already taken competitors to the King's Cup in Bahrain and the Royal Windsor Endurance race in England. The race was run over a complex terrain with drops of 200 meters, sometimes very difficult to negotiate because of the dry weather of the previous weeks. Hence, horses were already eliminated after the first phase, while 38 were eliminated by the time the race finished. Following an impressive sprint of the UAE and Bahrain riders, the race was won at the final vetgate when lameness caused the elimination of several riders and their horses. The elimination allowed the Spanish rider Alex Luque, one of the three ambassadors of this race, who had finished fourth of the race, to be declared the winner. He was riding the 12-year-old gelding **Abha Quely**, who had recorded an average speed of 21.7 km during the first three phases and 27.9 km in the final phase.

"This was a very difficult race," Alex Luque said. *"Very technical and very fast with the riders from the Golf countries setting the pace. My horse is experienced as he has already won many races, including 160 km races. But I am going to Tryon with a different horse."* The runner-up and third placed were riders from the Emirates, including Hassan Al Sabri with **Petit Myliar** and Malhoof Al Kitbi with **Azal de Narthoux**, who respectively clocked average times of 22.3 km/h and 27.4 km/h. The first French rider home was Margot Thomas who came fourth with the twelve-year-old gelding **Risk Armor**.

"I'm very happy," she said. *"Especially since I came from 14th position after the first phase to finish 4th. This horse is constantly improving, he is cool. We recorded an average time of 21 km/h for the first three phases and then 23.9 km/h in the final phase."* Some very well-known riders were competing in the race, including Grégoir Tilquin who finished eighth with **Vitawan de Passille**, the Belgian rider Elisabeth Hardy who finished 12th with **Adir Folie**, German rider Sabrina Arnold and **Bazooka La Majorie** (14th), Allan Leon with **Babel de Crouze** (17th), Philippe Tomas and **Ahmaffi** (19th). The Belgian rider Karine Boulanger suffered a rather nasty fall after the 3rd phase and although the blood was pouring down her face, she got back into the saddle of **Abou Fatmal** and managed to finish 23rd before going to hospital to get stitches. Her courage was certainly admired, and her efforts appreciated as she was classed 23rd of 40 finishers.

Allan Leon, one of the three ambassadors of the race, gave us his view on the new racing formula, which means that each team has only one assistant.

"It's great," he said. *"This means that the rider has to manage his or her race responsibly. The horses*

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Near the arrival of second loop.

UAE and Bahrain riders ride togethers.

Clémentine Chaud[illegible]ehing Bahrain rider Hameed Al Anezi.

Below: Elisabeth Hardy and Adir Folie.

are calm at the meeting point and there is none of that stress of people running with bottles, cars arriving and departing and hence creating a lot of noise. This type of race is the future. It's a first in France and it just has to be integrated into our culture."

The first ten home received prize-money and each rider who finished the race saw his or her entry fee reimbursed, which was also a novelty in the world of endurance racing. The organisers Sophie Delavaud and Nicolas Wahlen had come up with lots of ideas, and apart from the new format regarding the competition, a village that was freely accessible to the general public provided entertainment like polo matches, kids activities, pony riding, peddling sulkies, as well as carriage excursions for the grown-ups. An orchestra played during most of the afternoon and it really was a huge success.

Just as we were writing this article, we were told that the Prestige Endurance Cup de Chantilly received the EQUURES label.

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The EQUURES label recognises the measures put in place to ensure the wellbeing of the horses and the protection of the environment. Everybody involved had given it a helping hand. Eco-responsibility, FEI rules and the optimisation of resources had been followed to the letter, as all the riders had signed the agreement. The Prestige Cup is the first and only equestrian endurance race to receive the EQUURES label. The goal of the organisers was to promote a positive and ecological image of the sport, by having riders, bikers and walkers living intelligently side by side in the forest.

The second edition of this prestigious race in Chantilly is scheduled for 2019.

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